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Cyclic Sulfides

class, has been so extensively investigated that books have been written about it, the first by Victor Meyer, its discoverer, another by Steinkopf 641 and the last by Hartough. Reference should be made to these.

The striking parallelism between thiophene and benzene derivatives has interested chemists since the discovery of thiophene. The recent production of thiophene on a commercial scale has led to increased activity in the investigation of its derivatives. It is being realized that they are distinctly different from the corresponding benzene derivatives.

The chemistry of thiophene and its derivatives is so extensive and developing so fast that its coverage is beyond the scope of this book.

General

The reaction of an alkyl dihalide with an alkaline sulfide may produce a cyclic sulfide or a linear polymer, or a mixture of the two, according to the number of intervening chain members:

$$\mathrm{Br}(\mathrm{CH}_2)_{\mathbf{n}}\mathrm{Br} \quad + \quad \mathrm{K}_2\mathrm{S} \qquad \rightarrow \qquad \left(\mathrm{CH}_2\right)_{\mathbf{n}}\mathrm{:S} \ \ \mathrm{or} \ \left[\cdot(\mathrm{CH}_2)\mathrm{nS}\cdot\right]_{\times}$$

The same statement holds when a dimercaptide is substituted for the sulfide:

$$Br(CH_2)_nBr$$
 + $KS(CH_2)_mSK$ \rightarrow $(CH_2)_n S(CH_2)_m or$

$$[\cdot(CH_2)_nS(CH_2)_mS\cdot]_{\times}$$

As in other cases of cyclization, certain sizes of rings are favored. The large size of the sulfur atom may account for the fact that six membered rings are less favored than five membered. n-Pentane and sulfur give 2-methylthiophene. β,β' -Dichloroethyl sulfide and sodium sulfide give little of the cyclic monomer, $S(CH_2CH_2)_2S$, and much of the polymer while with dichloroethyl ether, thioxane, $O(CH_2CH_2)_2S$, is practically the sole product. The polymer predominates when ethylene bromide and ethylene mercaptan react in alkaline solution. 282t

The percentage yields of rings of various sizes, from dihalides, dimercaptans, and sodium ethylate in alcohol solution, are given in Table 1.1. Because of the difficulties in isolating the cyclic compounds of high molecular weight, the yields given are doubtless low. The formation of rings of 8 to 11 members appears to be difficult. Dimers are formed along with monomers in some cases, and instead of them in others. Only a small amount of dimer appears along with the five membered ring.

Table 1.1

Yields of Rings of Different Sizes

		Monomer		Dimer	
Dimercaptan	Dihalide	Size	Yield (%)	Size	Yield (%)
HS(CH ₂) ₂ SH	CH ₂ Cl ₂	5	26	10	0.2
"	$Br(CH_2)_2Br$	6	46	12	
u	$Br(CH_2)_8Br$	7	9	14	1.
u	$Br(CH_2)_4Br$	8		16	0.2
u	$Br(CH_2)_5Br$	9		18	0.15
"	$Br(CH_2)_{6}Br$	10	0.06	20	_
"	O(CH ₂ CH ₂ Cl),	9	_	18	1.4
HS(CH ₂) ₈ SH	CH_2Cl_2	6	15	12	_
u	$Br(CH_2)_2Br$	7	8.2	14	_
u	$Br(CH_2)_8Br$	8	4	16	1
«	$Br(CH_2)_4Br$	9	0.6	18	1.8
u	$Br(CH_2)_5Br$	11		22	1.1
S(CH ₂ CH ₂ SH),	$Br(CH_2)_2Br$	9	_	18	1.7

The yield of dithiane from ethylene mercaptan and ethylene bromide depends on the reaction temperature. At the boiling point of the alcoholic solution the yield is only 33% but at room temperature it is 46%. 458, 671

Some, at least, of these two sulfur ring compounds can be made from the polymers. Ethylene sulfide polymers give dithiane when heated with ethylene bromide. This involves sulfonium addition: ⁶⁶

This reaction was applied to the polymers obtained as byproducts in making the above cyclic compounds.^{458, 671} The results are in Table 2.1.

Table 2.1

Dithiane Obtained from Polymers and BrCH_{\$}CH_{\$}Br

Structural Unit	% by Weight	% of Calculated
-CH ₂ SCH ₂ CH ₂ S-	51	43
$-\mathrm{CH_2CH_2SCH_2CH_2S}$	65	65
-CH ₂ CH ₂ SCH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ S-	25	28
$-\mathrm{CH_2CH_2S}(\mathrm{CH_2})_6\mathrm{S}-$	21	31

The polymer —CH₂SCH₂CH₂S— gave a 30% yield of 1,3-dithiolane. Heating the same polymers with trimethylene bromide did not give any isolatable ring compounds.⁶⁷¹

Depolymerization can be effected also by heating in an atmosphere of hydrogen chloride. The results with a number of polymers are in Table 3.1.⁴⁵⁸

Vigorous reduction of polymeric pentamethylene and hexamethylene sulfides gave hydrocarbons and hydrogen sulfide but no mercaptans.^{101d}

Table 3.1

Yields of Cyclic Products from Heating Polymers in Hydrogen Chloride

Structural Unit	Product	
-CH ₂ CH ₂ SCH ₂ CH ₃ S-	1,4-dithiane	60%
-CH ₂ SCH ₂ CH ₂ S-	1,3-dithiolane	30%
-CH ₂ CH ₂ SO ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ SCH ₂ CH ₂ S-	S(CH ₂ CH ₂) ₂ SO ₂	20% & 1,4-dithiane 15%
-CH ₂ CH ₂ OCH ₂ CH ₂ SCH ₂ CH ₂ O-	thioxane	20% & 1,4-dithiane 10%
-CH ₂ SCH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ S-	1,3-dithiane	40%
-CH ₂ CH ₂ S(CH ₂) ₀ S-	1,4-dithiane Tetramethylene	10%
-(CH ₂) ₈ S(CH ₂) ₄ S-	sulfide Pentamethylene	10%
-(CH ₂) ₃ S(CH ₂) ₅ S-	sulfide	20%

Rings Containing One Sulfur Atom

Episulfides

Formation

Ethylene sulfide, the simplest of the cyclic sulfides, is a special case both as to its formation and its reactions. It was first prepared by agitating ethylene dithiocyanate, or chlorothiocyanate, ClCH₂CH₂SCN, with a solution of sodium sulfide:

The volatile ethylene sulfide was carried over in a current of steam. Propylene and *i*-butene sulfides were prepared in the same way from propylene, *i*-butene, and β -methylbutene dithiocyanates. ^{135, 186b, 187c, 188, 189} The latter gives trimethylethylene sulfide. ¹³⁵ The tetramethyl derivative has been made by the same reaction. ⁷¹³ Dithiocyano-stearic and behenic acids have been converted into the corresponding sulfides. ⁵⁷⁹ 1,2-Dithiocyanocy-

clohexane gives cyclohexene sulfide and 1-thiocyano-1-(thiocyanomethyl)-cyclohexane goes to epithiomethylenecyclohexane. 494

Ethylene sulfide is produced in 50-90% yields by treating 2-chloroethyl mercaptan with a mild alkali: 165, 510c

$$\text{CICH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{SH} \ + \ \text{NaHCO}_3 \qquad \rightarrow \qquad ({}^{\bullet}\text{CH}_2)_2\text{S} \ + \ \text{NaCI} \ + \ \text{CO}_2 \ + \ \text{H}_2\text{O}$$

Cyclopentene sulfide is obtained similarly from 2-chlorocyclopentanethiol.^{675a} The same treatment converts the acetates of mercapto-ethanol and of 2-mercapto-cyclohexanol to the corresponding sulfides.^{297, 468}

A remarkably simple and efficient way to prepare ethylene sulfide has been discovered recently; the reaction of ethylene oxide with potassium thiocyanate:

$$(\cdot CH_2)_2O$$
 + KSCN \rightarrow $(\cdot CH_2)_2S$ + KOCN

Ethylene oxide (30 g.) is passed into a solution of 45 g. potassium thiocyanate in 45 cc. of water at -10 to -5°. After several hours ethylene sulfide separates out as a layer. The yield based on the salt is said to be above 90%. 110, 174, 178, 347b, 348 Thiourea may be used instead of the thiocyanate. 174, 257, 347b, 348 Butadiene sulfide and 4-methylcyclohexene sulfide are obtained from the corresponding oxides and thiourea, but stilbene oxide goes to stilbene. 173 Styrene sulfide is obtained, however, from the oxide and potassium thiocyanate. 292

This reaction was almost discovered some years earlier: ethylene oxide and thiourea were brought together in acetone solution and kept at room temperature for three weeks. A considerable amount of urea was isolated and mercaptoethanol, a hydrolysis product of ethylene sulfide, was shown to be present. From diphenylthiourea and ethylene oxide the addition product, HOCH₂CH₂SC(:NPh)NHPh, was iosolated. Due to the presence of the two phenyl groups this is relatively stable. Its decomposition should give ethylene sulfide:

$$\mathsf{HOCH_2CH_2SC(:NPh)NHPh} \qquad \rightarrow \qquad (\mathsf{^{\bullet}CH_2})_2\mathsf{S} \quad + \quad \mathsf{OC(NHPh)_2}^{\,512}$$

The reaction may be represented:

Hydrolysis of the assumed intermediate would give HOCH₂-CH₂SC(:NH)NH₂. More detailed mechanisms have been proposed.^{175, 543} In the presence of acid, an epoxide and thiourea give an isothiuronium salt which can be hydrolyzed.⁹⁷

A xanthate, also, converts ethylene oxide to the sulfide: 174

$$({}^{\bullet}\mathrm{CH}_2)_2\mathrm{O} \quad + \quad \mathrm{ROCSSK} \qquad \rightarrow \qquad ({}^{\bullet}\mathrm{CH}_2)_2\mathrm{S} \quad + \quad \mathrm{ROCOSK}$$

This can be formulated similarly. A study has been made of the yields of cyclic sulfides from a number of epoxides with thiourea, and with potassium and ammonium thiocyanates.¹⁷⁴ A good yield of the episulfide is obtained from cyclohexene oxide but none from cyclopentene oxide.⁹⁷

A small amount of ethylene sulfide was formed when ethylene was bubbled through ethyl tetrasulfide at 140 to 150°. Propylene and cyclohexene gave 19 and 9%, respectively, of the sulfides when heated with ethyl tetrasulfide in a closed tube at 155°. 356

Substituted ethylene sulfides can be made from the corresponding cyclic oxides and potassium thiocyanate in the same way. 2,2-Dimethylethylene sulfide is quite stable. The preparation of cyclohexene sulfide has been described in detail.^{675a, 675b} It can be kept at 0° for several days.^{174, 631a} Epichlorhydrin gives the corresponding cyclic sulfide, chloromethylethylene sulfide.¹⁷⁴ 1,2-Dithioglycerol, refluxed under a pressure of 10 mm. loses a molecule of water to form mercaptomethyl-ethylene sulfide: ^{219, 399, 623}

This mercaptan is obtained also by treating the acetate of dithoglycerol with a mild alkali.²⁹⁷

Infrared,^{293, 662} Raman,⁶⁶² and micro-wave spectra ¹⁷⁶ have been determined for ethylene sulfide. The dipole moment is 1.66 D.²⁸⁷ One value of the C—S—C angle is 65° 48′ ¹⁷⁶ and another is 49° 30′.²⁸⁷ From a study of the force constants the structure H₂C=CH₂ is suggested.⁴¹⁶

Reactions

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As the reactions of ethylene sulfide involve the breaking of a carbon-sulfur bond, they are discussed by Tarbell and Harnish.⁶⁵⁸

Ethylene sulfide polymerizes on standing several days. This is speeded up by acids or alkalies or by heating. Methyl iodide gives a crystalline compound, soluble in water, probably the sulfonium iodide. Ethylene sulfide is oxidised by nitric acid to a carboxysulfonic acid HO₂CCH₂SO₃H. With hydrochloric acid several products are formed, HSCH₂CH₂Cl, HSCH₂CH₂SCH₂-CH₂Cl, and ethylene disulfide. Hydrobromic acid gives 2-bromoethyl mercaptan, BrCH₂CH₂SH. The ring is opened up by phosphoric and phosphorous acids, hy acetic anhydride, and by acetyl chloride 5, 205 and iodide: 350

$$Ac_2O + ({}^{\bullet}CH_2)_2S \rightarrow AcOCH_2CH_2SAc$$

Ethylene sulfide reacts with wool, apparently at the disulfide linkages.83

Primary and secondary amines react similarly: 110, 374a, 349b, 567

$$R_2NH + (\cdot CH_2)_2S \rightarrow R_2NCH_2CH_2SH$$

The reaction may go further:

$$\mathbf{R_2NCH_2CH_2SH} \hspace{0.2cm} + \hspace{0.2cm} (\mathbf{^{\bullet}CH_2})_2\mathbf{S} \hspace{0.2cm} \rightarrow \hspace{0.2cm} \mathbf{R_2NCH_2CH_2SCH_2CH_2SH}$$

2-Mercaptoethylguanylurea is formed from ethylene sulfide and guanylurea. Isobutylene sulfide and heptylamine give the mercaptan, C₇H₁₅NHCH₂CMe₂SH. A similar mercaptan, (CH₂)₅-NCH₂CMe₂SH, is from piperidine. Soc

Propylene sulfide and hydrochloric acid give 1-chloro-2-mercaptopropane. With potassium hydrosulfide, 1,2-propanedithiol is formed. With acetyl chloride, the yield of 2-chloropropyl thioacetate is quantitative. Bromine and chlorine cleave propylene sulfide at the primary carbon giving the secondary disulfides, (BrCH₂CHMeS·)₂ and (ClCH₂CHMeS·)₂, while with hydrogen peroxide the secondary bond is broken with the formation of a primary sulfonic acid, MeCH (OH) CH₂-SO₃H. 648

Isobutylene sulfide and an alcohol react in two ways. The chief product is the primary mercaptan, Me₂C (OR) CH₂SH, but there is some of the tertiary, Me₂C (SH) CH₂OR.^{630a, 630b, 631b} Olefin sulfides react with mercaptans only in the presence of a catalyst such as sodium ethylate or boron trifluoride.^{630a, 631b} As with the alcohols, two products are formed, Me₂C (SR) CH₂SH and Me₂C (SH) CH₂SR. Cyclohexene sulfide gives 2-alkylmer-

captocyclohexyl mercaptan.^{173, 631b} A number of compounds of this class have been prepared. The reaction may be carried on in an inert solvent.⁵⁶⁶ Tetramethylethylene sulfide does not react with mercaptans.^{631b} Isobutylene sulfide and acetanhydride give a mixture of the two possible diacetyl derivatives.¹⁷⁹

Olefin sulfides react with cyanoacetic ester to give tautomeric cyclic esters: 629

Ethylene sulfide condenses with cyanamide to a product which is said to have insecticidal properties. 479a

Butyllithium and cyclohexene sulfide give cyclohexene and butyl mercaptan. Grignard reagents act similarly. Lithium aluminum hydride reduces it to the mercaptan. 98

It is claimed that olefin sulfides can be solvent refined.²⁰⁴ Ethylene sulfide is said to be stabilized by the addition of hydrogen sulfide or a mercaptan.^{166, 510b, 631a} Ethylene sulfide and other cyclic sulfides are reported to be effective insecticides.^{346a, 510a} Certain derivatives of ethylene sulfide rank high among insecticides.²³⁷ Polyethylene sulfide may be incorporated with other polymers.^{637a}

The azeotrope with acetone contains 43% of ethylene sulfide and boils at 51.5°, that with 2,3-dimethylbutane 65%, b. 54°, and that with ethyl formate 53%, b. 50.5°.402

Aromatic Derivatives of Ethylene Sulfide

In methods of formation and in reactions, the aromatic derivatives of ethylene sulfide differ radically from the aliphatic. They are formed by the reaction of an aryl Grignard reagent ⁶⁰⁰ or of magnesium iodide and magnesium ⁶⁰¹ on a diaryl thioketone:

Diphenyl diazomethane reacts with thiophosgene, thiobenzoyl chloride, 640b or diphenyl trithiocarbonate 605a to give derivatives of ethylene sulfide:

Aromatic derivatives of ethylene sulfide part with their sulfur readily, passing into the corresponding substituted ethylenes. An extreme case is diphenylenedichloroethylene sulfide which loses its sulfur slowly on storage. From others the sulfur can be removed by copperbronze by heating in solution 599, 605a, 605b or by nascent hydrogen at room temperature. The mercaptoles of aromatic keto-ketenes were first obtained by desulfurizing the sulfides: 605a

Attempts to oxidise these cyclic sulfides to the sulfones have failed on account of the lability of the sulfur atom. 640a

TRIMETHYLENE SULFIDE

Trimethylene halides and sodium sulfide give the cyclic trimethylene sulfide along with much of the polymer: 75, 101b, 101c, 282a

$$\operatorname{CH_2(CH_2Br)_2} + \operatorname{Na_2S} \rightarrow \operatorname{CH_2(CH_2)_2S} + \operatorname{2}\operatorname{NaBr}$$

The yield of monomer may be 48%,75 it is considerably higher when there are alkyls on the central carbon: 30b

$$Me_2C(CH_2Br)_2 + K_2S \rightarrow Me_2C(CH_2)_2S + 2 KBr$$

3-Hydroxytrimethylene sulfide, S(CH₂)₂CHOH, is from sodium sulfide and 1,3-dichlorhydrin ⁴¹³ or from epichlorhydrin and hydrogen sulfide.^{624a} There has been a comprehensive investigation of the thermodynamic properties of trimethylene sulfide.⁶¹⁰

Trimethylene sulfide does not combine with mercuric iodide but does with mercuric chloride to form C₃H₆S·HgCl₂. It is polymerized by strong acids. It is oxidised to the sulfone by hydrogen peroxide or by permanganate.^{101b, 101c} The sulfone can be alkylated in aqueous alkaline solution.¹¹³ The bromine addition compound, C₃H₆SBr₂, is a solid, unstable at -15°.^{101b, 101c} The ring is opened by treatment with methyl iodide with formation of a sulfonium iodide: ^{30b, 75}

Trimethylene sulfide, with butyl lithium, gives butyl mercaptan, propyl butyl sulfide, and 1,3-dibutyl mercapto propane, BuSCH₂-CH₂CH₂SBu, while with phenyl lithium it gives 1,6-diphenyl mercapto hexane, PhS(CH₂)₆SPh, along with phenyl mercaptan and propyl phenyl sulfide.⁹⁸

When sodium selenide and trimethylene bromide react a small amount of the monomeric cyclic trimethylene selenide, CH₂(CH₂)₂Se, is formed along with much of the polymer.^{238a.} ^{482c} Spirosulfides, I and II, are obtained from potassium sulfide

with 1,1-bis (bromomethyl) cyclohexane and with pentaerythrityl bromide, C(CH₂Br)₄:

2-Thia-4-spirononane (I), boils at 96° at 18 mm. and is oxidised to a sulfone melting at 73°. It combines with 1 HgCl₂ m. 161° or 1 HgBr₂ m. 157.5°. The methiodide melts at 92°, picrate m. 117°.³⁴ 2,6-Dithia-4-spiroheptane (II), m. 31.5°, b₁₆ 108–9°,^{30a} d 15/4 1.2439,³⁸⁸ forms a dimethiodide, m. 144°. It can be oxidised to the monosulfoxide, m. 81.5°, the disulfoxide, m. 146°, the sulfoxidesulfone, m. 156°, or the di-sulfone, m. 244.5°. The mono-sulfone, m. 116.5°, can be obtained by the reduction of the sulfoxide-sulfone.^{29a}, ^{30a}, ³⁸⁸

TETRAMETHYLENE SULFIDE, THIOLANE, THIOPHANE

Formation

This is frequently called tetrahydrothiophene, though it has seldom been obtained by hydrogenating thiophene. The reverse process, the dehydrogenation of tetramethylene sulfide to thiophene, is not difficult. Thiophane derivatives have become important in connection with biotin. Thiophane chemistry has been reviewed by Wolf and Folkers.⁷⁰⁸ Tetramethylene sulfide and its 2-methyl and 3-methyl derivatives have been identified in gasoline.^{7, 123, 245, 538}

The formation of this five membered ring is favored; the yield of the sulfide is practically quantitative when a tetramethylene halide is heated with a metal sulfide. The alkyl derivatives are obtained from the corresponding alkyltetramethylene halides.^{101c, 106b, 108, 282b, 452}

Tetramethylene glycol, its homologs and analogs are converted to tetramethylene sulfide, or its derivatives, when they are passed with hydrogen sulfide over alumina at around 400°. Tetrahydrofurane may give a 90% yield.^{719, 720, 724, 726} Tetramethylene chlorhydrin gives a 95% yield.⁷²⁰ Alkyltetrahydrofuranes give excellent yields of the corresponding alkyltetrahydrothiophenes under similar treatment.^{714, 716, 717, 727} The yields of the higher alkylthiophanes are not as satisfactory.

It is possible to hydrogenate thiophene over a platinum catalyst, though it is usually a catalyst poison 454, 455, 456 and can be decomposed by hydrogen over a catalyst. Thiophane can be dehydrogenated over platinum-charcoal. Molybdenum sulfide 149 and palladium-charcoal 496, 497 are satisfactory catalysts for the hydrogenation of thiophene to thiophane. Molybdenum sulfide and other metal sulfides have been studied. A75 2-Acetylthiophene has been hydrogenated over a cobalt polysulfide catalyst to 2-ethylthiophane. The reduction of thiophene by sodium in alcohol gives 2,3- and 3,4-dihydrothiophenes 82a which are quite different from the polymeric products from the reaction of 1,4-dibromo-2-butene with sodium sulfide. 626

The thermodynamic properties of thiophane have been investigated. It melts at -96.17°.339 Infra red and Raman spectra have been determined for thiophane 227b, 670, 725 and its alpha and beta methyl, ethyl, propyl, and butyl derivatives. An intense line at 690 cm.⁻¹ is apparently characteristic for the thiophane nucleus.⁷²⁵ The dipole moment of tetrahydrothiophene is 1.87 and that of the selenium compound 1.79.^{573a} The rings of these two compounds are not quite planar, a shallow tub form being the most probable.^{573b}

Thiophane forms an azeotrope with pyridine boiling at 113.5°.401 Thiophanes can be separated from the aromatic hydrocarbons of approximately the same boiling points by azeotropic distillation. Acetone serves for a thiophane-benzene mixture and methyl ethyl ketone for the methyl derivatives. Other oxygenated compounds may be used.394 The azeotrope with trans-dimethyl-cyclohexene contains 49% of thiophane and boils at 115.9°, that with ethylcyclohexane 84%, b. 120.5°, that with 2-methylheptane 44.6%, b. 114°, that with 2,5-dimethylheptane 20.7%, b. 107.9°, and that with octane 66.3%, b. 118.4°.195

Reactions

Thiophane and its alkyl derivatives form complexes with mercuric chloride, (CH₂)₄S·HgCl₂, (CH₂CHMe)₂S·HgCl₂.^{7, 123, 245, 282b, 538, 699} Thiophane forms complexes with a wide variety of salts.⁵⁰² A study has been made of its identification.^{358,5}

Thiophane and chloramine-T give (CH₂)₄S:NSO₂C₆H₄Me, m. 135°, which can also be made from the sulfoxide and *p*-toluene-sulfonamide. Chlorination gives δ-chlorobutanesulfonyl chloride, ClCH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CO₂Cl. Oct.

Tetramethylene and pentamethylene sulfides are claimed as flotation agents.⁷⁰²

Substituted Thiophanes

The addition of thioacetic acid to Me₂C:CH(CH₂)₂COMe and hydrolysis of the thioester gives the mercaptan, Me₂CHCH(SH)-CH₂CH₂COMe, which can be condensed to 4,5-dihydro-2-methyl-5-isopropylthiophene.⁵⁴

Starting with γ -chlorobutyronitrile and potassium hydrosulfide bis-tetramethylene sulfide has been synthesized. 690 o-Xylylene sulfide, $C_6H_4(CH_2)_2S$, its α -methyl derivative, and its isomer

with the sulfur atom adjacent to the ring have been made.107, 109

3,4-Dihydroxythiophane has been obtained from 1,4-dichloro-2,3-dihydroxybutane and sodium sulfide.³⁸⁴ It may be converted into the 3,4-dichloro- or 3,4-dibromo-thiophane by the action of the halide acids.³⁷¹

3,4-Diethoxythiophane has been prepared similarly from 2,3-diethoxy-1,4-diiodobutane and potassium sulfide. Treatment with hydrobromic acid converted it to a 3,4-dihydroxythiophane.⁵²⁸

A 3,4-diaminothiophane has been prepared from 2,3-diamino-butane-1,4-disulfuric acid and by the degradation of an ester of 3,4-thiophanedicarboxylic acid. Neither product could be converted into the cyclic urea with phosgene.^{371, 372} A 3,4-diaminothiophane, which does react with phosgene, has been obtained by the hydrogenation of 2,5-dibromo-3,4-dinitrothiophene with the aid of a palladium catalyst.⁴⁹⁵ 3,4-Diaminothiophane and its substitution products will come up again under biotin.

Thiophanone-2 has been made by passing butyrolactone and hydrogen sulfide over alumina at 325–375°. It can be reduced by the Clemmensen method to thiophane but the yield is poor.⁷²⁸ It is formed in the slow distillation of γ -mercaptobutyric acid.³³⁰ The same thiophanone is obtained when γ -butyrolactone is heated with hydrogen sulfide and a trace of sodium sulfide to 200° for 10 hours.³⁷

Thiophanone-3 has been obtained from chloromethyl β-iodo-ethyl ketone ^{326, 359} and by the decarboxylation of a 3-ketothio-phanecarboxylic acid ³⁶⁴ as will be discussed more fully under biotin. It has been claimed as an antioxidant. This undergoes the typical reactions of a ketone. With methylmagnesium bro-mide 3-methyl-3-hydroxythiophane, m. 46°, I, is formed. The hydroxyl can be replaced by bromine. Abstraction of hydro-bromic acid leaves a 3-methyldihydrothiophene. 3-Phenyl-3-hydroxythiophane has been prepared similarly. Monosodium acetylide puts the ethylnyl group, —C:CH, in the 3-position beside the hydroxyl. Mercaptoles, II, are formed in the usual way. Bromination of a thiophanone-3 puts a bromine atom in the 4-position. The methylene group in the 2-position is sufficiently reactive to condense with an aldehyde III. 302, 310, 577

2,5-Diketothiophane, (•CH₂CO)₂S, or succinyl sulfide, has been made from *bis*-thiolsuccinic acid ⁶⁹⁴ and by the reaction of succinyl chloride on sodium sulfide. ^{15a}

Either of the diacetates of 3,4-dimercaptobutanol-1 is converted by sodium bicarbonate to 3-mercaptothiophane.²⁹⁷ 3,4-Dimercaptothiophane has been reported.⁶⁶⁵ One of the by-products in the large scale manufacture of thiophene ^{180, 550} is a sulfur compound, C₄H₄S₃, which may be 3,4-thiolanedithione, 3,4-thiophenedithiol or a tautomeric mixture of the two:

Thiolanedithione

Thiophenedithiol

The dithione structure is favored by the fact that the compound is a vat dye.^{129a} An isomer of this is what might be called trithiosuccinic anhydride. The tetracarbethoxy derivative of this is formed when bromine is added to sodium malonic ester in carbon disulfide. Analogous compounds are from sodium acetoacetic ester and from sodium cyanoacetic ester.⁶⁹³

Trithiosuccinic anhydride

2,5-Dithiono-3,3,4,4-tetracarbethoxytetrahydrothiophene

When 2,5-dihydrothiophene is heated with a mercaptan and sulfur, a 3-alkylmercaptothiophane is formed.^{82b}

The reduction of 2-thiophenecarboxylic acid by sodium amalgam gives the corresponding tetrahydro acid. 546 2-Thiophenevaleric acid can be hydrogenated with the aid of a palladium-charcoal catalyst. 497 2,5-Thiophenedicarboxylic acid can be reduced to the corresponding 2,5-tetrahydrothiophenedicarboxylic acid by zinc in alkaline solution. 216 This same dicarboxylic acid has been obtained from α,α' -dibromoadipic acid and sodium sulfide. $^{238c, 672}$ The pl-acid, which melts at 166°, has been resolved. Both of the active acids melt at 180°, the levo from the brucine

salt has $[\alpha]/D$ -225.3° and the dextro, from the quinine salt, +225.9°. The meso-acid melts at 145°.238c

Substitution products of thiophane are formed by the addition of chlorine to thiophene. An unstable addition product was noticed as early as 1884. An unstable addition product was noticed as early as 1884. An unstable addition product was noticed as early as 1884. An unstable addition product was noticed as early as 1884. An unstable addition of the possible geometric forms of this have been characterized, the α- m. 111.5–113.5 and the β- m. 44.5–6. Two others are believed to exist. The 2,2,3,4,5-pentachlorothiophane is formed by the addition of chlorine to 2-chlorothiophane. The 2,2,3,4,5,5-hexachlorothiophane is obtained similarly from 2,5-dichlorothiophane. A heptachlorothiophane of unknown constitution has been isolated. Chlorination in the presence of much iodine gives octachlorothiophane. In the presence of a catalytic amount of iodine, 2,2,3,4,5,5-hexachlor-3-thiolene is formed.

The addition of sulfur monochloride to 2-methyl- and to 2,3-dimethyl-butadiene gives 3-methyl-3,4-dichlorothiophane and 3,4-dimethyl-3,4-dichlorothiophane, respectively.^{33b}

Treating p-methoxypropiophenone with phosphorus pantasulfide gives 2,5-di-p-methoxyphenyl-3,4-dimethylthiophene.^{93b}

As the sulfur in sulfolane and in sulfolene is not bivalent they do not belong here but they will be mentioned briefly.

Tetramethylene sulfide is oxidised by hydrogen peroxide to the sulfoxide and the sulfone which is known as sulfolane. This contains two hydrogen atoms more than sulfolene, the addition product of sulfur dioxide to butadiene.

$$\begin{array}{c|cccc} \text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2 & \text{CH}_2\text{CH} \\ \text{O}_2\text{S} & \text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2 & \text{CH}_2\text{CH} \\ \text{Sulfolane} & \text{Sulfolene} \end{array}$$

Sulfolane and its alkyl derivatives can be made by the hydrogenation of the corresponding sulfolenes. 103, 222, 346b, 357, 486

3,4-Diphenylthiophene sulfone is reduced by zinc and acetic acid to 3,4-diphenylsulfolene which can be hydrogenated with platinum oxide to 3,4-diphenylsulfolane.²⁸ Sulfolane and sulfo-

lene derivatives may be converted to tetrahydrothiophenes by hydrogen over nickel sulfide. 481

When 3-bromo-3-methyltetrahydrothiophene is oxidised with hydrogen peroxide two sulfones are produced, 3-methylsulfolene and its isomer, having the double bond in the 2,3-position.³⁶⁰

Quite a variety of 3,4-derivatives of sulfolane have been obtained by adding chlorine, 488, 490c bromine, 32, 419 water, 33c, 191, 192, 346c hydrogen sulfide, 191, 192, 346c hypochlorous acid, 488, 490b hypobromous acid, 32 bromotrichloromethane, 368, 369 alcohols, 33c, 47a, 332, 337, 487, 490b, 492 mercaptans, 490e, 491 ammonia, 191, 192, 346c amines, 191, 192, 846c, 406, 485, 489c, 492 thioacetic acid, 529 or thioglycolic acid 192, 846c to sulfolene or to its alkyl derivatives. 3-Allyloxysulfolane is recommended as a plasticizer for natural or synthetic rubber. 487 A mercaptan can be added across its double bond. 490d 2-Vinylsulfolene, from hexatriene, can be hydrogenated to 2-vinylsulfolane or to 2-ethylsulfolane. 483

The solubility characteristics of sulfolane and of its 3-methyland 3,4-dichloro-derivatives have been studied.³⁵⁷

Sulfolane is claimed as an aid in the separation of petroleum products from fatty acids and their esters by azeotropic distillation. It is recommended for the extractive distillation of alcohols 147 and for extracting sulfur dioxide. Sulfolanes may be stabilized with tertiary amines. Some of the sulfolanes are said to be useful as selective solvents 220, 636 and as oil additives. The alkoxy derivatives are claimed to be plasticizers for cellulose ethers 332 and the 3-methoxy- and 3-methylamino- for polyvinyl alcohol. Derivatives with unsaturated side-chains may be polymerized. Derivatives

Sulfolene
$$HC = CH$$

$$H_2C CH_2$$

$$O_2$$

The literature on this class is extensive and no attempt will be made to cover it.

Sulfolene, or butadiene sulfone, is made by the addition of sulfur dioxide to butadiene; homologs and derivatives are from the same reaction with hydrocarbons and their derivatives that have conjugated double bonds.^{26, 484} The formation of a sulfolene may serve to isolate a diolefin from a mixture of hydrocarbons.^{572, 637b} Specific reaction rates for formation and decomposition of sulfolane have been measured.²⁰² The bond lengths in β-isoprene sulfone are: C—C for the ring 1.41 A°, C—S 1.75 A°, and S—O 1.44 A°.¹⁷¹ These have been reinterpreted.³⁷⁵

The addition of various substituents to sulfolene to form sulfolane derivatives has been mentioned above.

The addition of sulfur dioxide to 2-methyl-3-chlorobutadiene gives a 3-chlorosulfolene which reacts with potassium mercaptide or sulfide: ^{25, 26}

Both of these sulfides can be oxidised to sulfones.²⁵

Selenious acid reacts with dienes to form analogous compounds.33a

Tetramethylene Selenide and Telluride

Tetramethylene selenide has been prepared from tetramethylene bromide and sodium selenide. Exhaustive chlorination of selenophene gives 2,2,3,4,5,5-hexachloroselenolane. Chlorination at -15° in carbon disulfide yields 2,3,4,5-tetrachloroselenolane. Bromination under the same conditions leads to a hexabromocompound. The 2,5-dicarboxylic acid has been prepared and resolved. The 2,5-dicarboxylic acid has been prepared and resolved.

Tetramethylene telluride, (•CH₂CH₂)₂Te, has been prepared from tetramethylene bromide and sodium telluride.²²⁴ It had been obtained previously by removing iodine from the iodide, (•CH₂CH₂)₂TeI₂, which is formed when tetramethylene iodide is heated with amorphous tellurium.^{482e}

Biotin

CH₂CH₂CH₂CO₂H

The elucidation of the structure of this important growth factor 122, 128, 211, 328, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 461, 462, 463, 677, 678, 679, 680, 703 started a number of investigations looking toward its synthesis. 43, 44, 155, 268, 283, 309, 590 As appears in the formula above, biotin consists of a thiophane and a diazolidine ring fused together. Obviously it should be formed by the reaction of phospene on 2-(4-carboxybutyl)-3,4-diaminothiophane. This has proved to be true but the synthesis of the right stereoisomer of the intermediate has been far from easy. It has, however, been accomplished in several ingenious ways.

The first undertaking was to synthesize what might be called norbiotin, that is biotin without the valeric acid side chain. This requires 3,4-diaminothiophane as the critical intermediate. As there is no known way of introducing amino groups directly, the thiophane ring must be put together with groups in the 3 and 4 positions which can be transformed into amino, with the proper configurations. The various syntheses of biotin differ from each other chiefly in the choice of these two groups and in the means devised for changing them into amino. When a synthesis of norbiotin has been worked out the final step is to repeat it using intermediates containing the —CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CO₂H side chain, or a group which may be changed into this, properly placed. As a preliminary to this, syntheses have been carried through with simpler groups such as methyl 125, 364, 586 or phenyl. 586, 654

The first step in a number of syntheses is the Dieckmann self-condensation of a sulfide ester ^{478, 708} such as EtO₂CCH₂CH₂-SCHRCO₂Et. ⁴⁸⁰ This may take place in either one of two ways: ^{22, 38, 118, 119, 125, 155, 326, 364, 395c, 575, 585}

With sodium methylate in toluene at 80° I is formed while in ether at room temperature II is the chief product.⁷¹² The con-

densation takes place rapidly in methanol or ethanol as solvents to give II.⁴⁷⁷ The formation of I rather than II seems to be favored when R is a bulky group. The substituent may be in the other end of the sulfide ester as in EtO₂CCH₂CHRSCH₂-CO₂Et. The cyclization of this puts the R on the other side of the ring in I, adjacent to the ester group instead of next to the carbonyl.³⁹⁶ This makes no difference in the final product. Both I and II have the aceto-acetic ester structure and may be saponified and decarboxylated to the thiophanone, III.

The reaction of α -benzylidene- γ -chloroaceto-acetic ester with sodium hydrosulfide gives 2-phenyl-3-carbethoxythiophanone-4. The mercaptoacid, which must be the primary product, adds to itself across the double bond: 654

Very similar to this is the self-condensation of α -cyano- γ -mercaptoacetoacetic ester to 2-imino-3-carbethoxy-4-keto-thio-phane.

Some of the ways in which amino groups can be gotten into positions 3 and 4 are sketched. For details the original references must be consulted.

The problem of converting the keto group of the thiophanone-3 into an amino has been solved in several ways. One frequently used is to make the oxime ¹⁵⁶, ²⁹⁹, ³⁰⁰, ³⁰⁵, ³⁰⁸, ³⁶⁴, ⁵⁸⁴ or hydrazone ³⁰⁰ which can be reduced. ⁴⁹⁵ The amino group thus formed may be acetylated to protect it during subsequent operations. ³⁰⁰, ³⁰¹, ³¹⁰, ³⁶⁴ A peculiar reduction of the oxime takes place when it is treated with hydrogen chloride in ether solution. The product is the corresponding aminothiophene, the required hydrogen coming from the thiophane ring. ¹⁵⁵ This is one step in the synthesis of tetradehydrobiotin which can be hydrogenated to pl-biotin with the aid of a molybdenum sulfide catalyst. ¹⁵⁴ The dehydration of a hydroxyimidazolidothiophane with sulfuric acid in methanol gives an alkylidene compound which may be hydrogenated. ⁶⁵³

The thiophanone may be converted to the cyanhydrin by hydrocyanic acid.³⁸ This can be dehydrated and the unsaturated

nitrile hydrogenated and esterified.^{42, 118, 326, 590, 591, 654} Or the hydroxyl may be replaced by a chlorine which is then removed by zinc leaving the —CN group which is changed to —CO₂Et.²⁸⁵

The ester group may be converted to the amino by the Curtius degradation: $-\text{CO}_2\text{Et} \rightarrow -\text{CONHNH}_2 \rightarrow -\text{CON}_3 \rightarrow -\text{NHCOOEt} \rightarrow -\text{NH}_2^{45, 120, 155}$ This may be done for either one or two such groups.^{44, 120, 574}

The —CO₂Et group in position 4 may be eliminated and the resulting thiophanone brominated. The bromine is replaced by hydroxyl and the 4-hydroxythiophanone-3 treated with an excess of hydroxylamine to give the 3,4-dioxime which is reduced to the diamino.^{361, 362}

Another approach has been the self-condensation of a benzamido derivative of the sulfide ester: 42, 299, 302, 303, 304, 309, 310, 578, 709, 711

This has been carried out on the unsubstituted ester and with R=-CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CO₂H. It has the advantage that one potential amino group is already in place.

Cyclization of a sulfide containing nitro and aldehyde groups has been effected: 283, 294

This has been carried out with R=Me and with R=-CH₂CH₂-CH₂CO₂H. The nitro group is easily reduced and the hydroxyl can be changed to the amino.⁴⁹⁵ The acetal, (EtO)₂-CHCH₂SCHRCH₂NO₂, can be substituted for the aldehyde in this condensation.^{283, 294, 521}

In one synthesis the 3-aminothiophanone-4 was treated with a metal cyanate and the resulting urea condensed. The thiophanone is written in the enol form: ⁵⁷⁸

$$S = \begin{array}{c|c} CH_2C \cdot OHNH_2 \\ & & \\ CHRC \cdot NH \cdot CO \end{array} \rightarrow S = \begin{array}{c|c} CH_2CNH \\ & \\ CHRC \cdot NH \cdot CO \end{array} \rightarrow H_2O$$

The last step, closing the urea ring by treating the 3,4-diaminothiophane with phosgene goes easily.^{44, 121, 155}

Quite a different synthesis of biotin starts with 1,2-dibenzyl-aminosuccinic acid which is converted to the urea by phosgene. By a series of reactions the succinic acid part is made into a thio-phanone-2 and the side chain attached by the Grignard reaction. Finally the benzyl groups are removed. A meso-diaminosuccinic acid derivative, as a starting material, is claimed in a series of patents.^{276, 277}

Another synthesis depends on the reaction of ureidothiophanecarbohydrazides with nitrous acid and an acidic catalyst which leads to rearrangement of the hydrazide to an amine and the formation of an imidazolidothiophane ring.^{41, 121}

The valeric acid side-chain may be put on after the condensation to the thiophanone has been effected. Thus 2-carbethoxy-thiophanone-3, which has the characteristic structure of an acetoacetic ester, is treated with sodium ethylate and 3-iodopropylmalonic ester, ICH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH(CO₂Et)₂.^{23, 575} Another way of doing this is to condense an aldehydoacid, OCH(CH₂)_nCO₂H, with the =CH₂ in position 2 of a thiophanone-3.^{302, 310, 577}

Considerable attention has been given to the stereoisomerism of biotin and related compounds particularly the 3,4-thiophane-dicarboxylic acid and its derivatives.^{39, 40, 43, 45, 119, 234, 306, 807} DL-Biotin has been resolved by combining it with arginine ²³⁵ and by causing its acid chloride to react with mandelic acid.⁷¹⁰

PENTAMETHYLENE SULFIDE

This has been made by treating pentamethylene halides with alkali sulfide. 101c, 106a, 106b, 108, 159, 282c, 504a As has been mentioned earlier in this chapter, the yields are much lower than with the tetramethylene halides.

Pentamethylene oxide is converted to the sulfide by passing over alumina with hydrogen sulfide.⁷²³ The cyclic sulfide is formed, with the unsaturated sulfide, when tetrahydrofurfuryl alcohol is subjected to the same treatment.^{504c} Its 2-methyl-, 2,2-dimethyl-, 2,2,6,6-tetramethyl-, and 2,2,6-trimethyl-6-ethyl- derivatives have been obtained from the corresponding oxides and phosphorus pentasulfide.^{504a} The last two compounds have been made by adding hydrogen sulfide to geraniolene ⁶¹⁹ and dihydromyrcene, respectively.^{504b, 619} From o-amino-3-chloropropylbenzene a cyclic sulfide has been prepared by means of the diazo reaction.^{106b}

The Raman spectra of pentamethylene sulfide,^{229b} cyclohexanone and piperidine have been compared.⁶⁸¹ The infrared ⁶¹⁸ and general light absorption ³³⁶ have been studied. The ultraviolet absorption of its 4-keto derivative has been determined.^{227b} Pentamethylene sulfide forms a colored addition compound with tetranitromethane.⁶⁸¹ The vapor pressure-temperature relationship has been worked out.⁶⁹⁸

Mercuric chloride addition products of pentamethylene sulfide and of its methyl derivative are known.^{101a, 101c, 282c} The mercuric iodide and bromine addition compounds are unstable. The sulfone is obtained by oxidation with permanganate or with hydrogen peroxide.^{101a, 101c} Treating the methyl iodide addition product with alkali gives the sulfonium hydroxide, CH₂(CH₂-CH₂)₂SMeOH. When this is pyrolyzed the pentamethylene sulfide is regenerated. When α-methylpentamethylene sulfide is subjected to the same treatment the ring is ruptured and an unsaturated sulfide, MeCH:CHCH₂CH₂CH₂SMe, is formed. α-Methyl-tetrahydrothiophene behaves in the same way giving the sulfide, MeCH:CHCH₂CH₂SMe.^{282e}

Pentamethylene sulfide is opened up by cyanogen bromide: 108

$$\mathsf{CH_2}(\mathsf{CH_2}\mathsf{CH_2}\mathsf{CH_2}\mathsf{CH_2}\mathsf{CH_2}\mathsf{CH_2}\mathsf{CH_2}\mathsf{CH_2}\mathsf{CH_2}\mathsf{SCN} \\ \hspace{3.1cm} \to \hspace{3.1cm} \mathsf{BrCH_2}\mathsf{CH_2}\mathsf{CH_2}\mathsf{CH_2}\mathsf{SCN} \\$$

A sulfonium compound is probably the intermediate.

A number of alkylated cyclic sulfides have been isolated from Naft-Khaneh distillate. Among these are 2,3- and 2,4-dimethyl-, 2-ethyl- and 2,3,5-trimethyl-cyclothiapentanes and 2-, 3- and 4-methyl- and 2,6- and 3,4-dimethyl-cyclothiahexanes.⁸¹

Ethyl pentamethylene sulfide-carboxylate has been prepared:

$$\textbf{K}_2\textbf{S} \hspace{0.1cm} + \hspace{0.1cm} (\textbf{BrCH}_2\textbf{CH}_2)_2\textbf{CHCOEt} \hspace{0.3cm} \rightarrow \hspace{0.3cm} \textbf{S}(\textbf{CH}_2\textbf{CH}_2)_2\textbf{CHCO}_2\textbf{Et} \hspace{0.1cm} + \hspace{0.1cm} 2 \hspace{0.1cm} \textbf{KBr}$$

The ester has been reduced to the alcohol, S(CH₂CH₂)₂CHCH₂-OH.⁵⁴¹ The ethyl ester, S(CH₂CH₂)₂CHCH₂CO₂Et, has been made similarly and reduced to the alcohol, S(CH₂CH₂)₂CHCH₂-CH₂OH.⁵⁴² The *cis* 2,6-dicarboxylic acid has been made from α,α'-dibromopimelic acid.^{228, 607d}

4-Phenyl-4-cyanopentamethylene sulfide has been obtained by alkylating phenylacetonitrile with β,β' -dichloroethyl sulfide: ²⁰⁷, 208, 209, 346d

By a series of reactions 4-ketopentamethylene sulfide, S(CH₂-CH₂)₂CO, has been prepared from β-sulfidopropionic ester, S(CH₂CH₂CO₂Et)₂. The phenylhydrazone can be condensed to penthienoindole, m. 157°. When 4-hydroxy-4-carboxypenthiane, or the 4-hydroxy-4-phenyl-, or 4-hydroxy-4-benzyl- derivatives are oxidised to the sulfoxide cis and trans isomers, which can be separated by crystallization, are produced.^{76, 78, 146, 227a} A mercaptole, S(CH₂CH₂)₂C(SEt)₂, is formed from this as well as from its 2-methyl- and 2,6-dimethyl derivatives.⁵² The alkyl derivatives are from the corresponding substituted sulfidopropionic esters.⁵³

There seems to be tautomerism between 2,6-dimercaptopyrone and 2,6-dithiono-4-ketopentamethylene sulfide: ⁵⁹⁴

By the addition of hydrogen sulfide to the unsaturated ketones, H₂C:CHCOCH₂CH:CH₂, H₂C:CMeCOCH₂CH:CH₂, EtCH:-CPrCOCH₂CH:CH₂,^{505a} and Me₂C:CHCOCH:CMe₂,^{504c} the 2-methyl-, 2,5-dimethyl-, 2-methyl-5-propyl-6-ethyl-, and the 2,2,5,5-tetramethyl-derivatives are obtained. Acetylene can be added to the carbonyl to give the 4-ethynyl-4-hydroxy compounds.^{505b}

The isomeric 3-ketopentamethylene sulfide is obtained by saponification and decarboxylation of the self-condensation product from a sulfide ester: ²²⁶, ⁴⁰⁸

δ-Thiovalerolactone may be called 2-ketopentamethylene sulfide.^{87, 583}

The two acids PhSCH₂CH₂CO₂H and PhCH₂SCH₂CO₂H can be condensed to thiatetralones: ³⁷⁰

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ &$$

γ-Thiopyron, S(CH:CH)₂CO, can be made from penthione, S(CH₂CH₂)₂CO, by treatment with phosphorus pentachloride. The 2,6-dimethylmercapto-1-thiopyrone, S(CSMe:CH)₂CO, has been prepared by decarboxylating the 3,5-dicarboxy acid.¹³ By the reaction of a ketone with potassium hydroxide and carbon disulfide, followed by potassium sulfide, 2,6-dimercapto-3,5-dialkyl-1-thiopyrones, S[C(SH):CR]₂CO, are obtained.^{8, 9, 10} Ethyl ketoglutarate, OC(CH₂CO₂Et)₂, acetaldehyde, and hydrogen sulfide, with piperidine, give 2,6-dimethyl-3,5-dicarbethoxypenthione.³³⁴ Phorone and hydrogen sulfide, with an alkaline catalyst, unit to form 2,2,6,6-tetramethyl-1-4-penthione which can be reduced to the tetramethylcyclopentamethylene sulfide.¹⁴

Thiophene has been prepared from sodium succinate and phosphorus pentasulfide.⁶⁸² This method has been applied to sodium

was only 12% while it is around 50% in the thiophene synthesis. This unsaturated compound, methylpenthiophene, resembles thiophene in its ease of acetylation.³⁹⁰

Pentamethylene selenide has been prepared from pentamethyl-

ene bromide and sodium selenide. 482b A tellurium analog has been described. 224

LARGER RINGS

Hexamethylene sulfide, ('CH₂CH₂CH₂)₂S, has been obtained, in poor yields, from hexamethylene halides and metal sulfides.^{106b.}
^{282d} By adding a polymethylene bromide and sodium sulfide, a little at a time to a large volume of boiling alcohol, several higher members of the series, (CH₂)₁₂S, (CH₂)₁₃S, and (CH₂)₁₄S, have been prepared. The tetradecamethylene sulfide has a distinct, though faint, musk odor. These cyclic sulfides combine with methyl iodide to form (CH₂)_n > SMeI but with an excess of methyl iodide the ring is opened: ⁴⁹⁸

$$(CH_2)_n > S + 3 MeI \rightarrow Me_3 SI + I(CH_2)_n I$$

By condensing γ-phenylmercaptobutyryl chloride with itself and reducing the ketone a bicyclic sulfide has been obtained: ¹³¹

An isomer of this has been obtained from o-(3-bromopropyl) benzyl bromide and sodium sulfide. Other bicyclic sulfides have been separated from petroleum fractions, 1-thiaindane, 2-thiaindane, 1-thiatetralin, cis-3-thia[0,3,4]bicyclononane, and trans-2-thia[0,4,4]bicyclodecane.

Hexamethylene selenide, (CH₂CH₂CH₂)₂Se, is analogous to hexamethylene sulfide in its formation, properties, and reactions. It forms a dichloride, a dibromide, and a diiodide.^{482d}

CYCLIC SULFONIUM COMPOUNDS

Extensive studies have been made of ring closure with sulfidehalides, RS(CH₂)_nCl:

$$RS(CH_2)_nCI \rightarrow (CH_2)_n > SRCI$$

The tetramethylene compound EtS(CH₂)₄Cl, changes to the sulfonium chloride on standing. The relative rates of formation of five, six, and seven membered rings are 6000:76:1. Rings of 8 to 13 members do not appear to be formed.^{69b, 73, 74, 77}

By heating several of these compounds with sodium iodide in acetophenone until no more methyl iodide is evolved, tetra-

decamethylene sulfide, (CH₂)₁₄S, hexadecamethylene sulfide, (CH₂)₁₆S, and octadecamethylene sulfide, (CH₂)₁₈S, were obtained.⁷³

4-Chloromethylpentamethylene sulfide ⁵⁴¹ and 4-bromoethylpentamethylene sulfide ⁵⁴² condense to the bicyclic sulfonium compounds I and II, respectively:

Rings Containing Two Sulfur Atoms

Two Sulfur and Two Carbon Atoms

The simple cyclic compound here represented has not been prepared but what appear to be its derivatives are known.

The dimer of thiophosgene (I), the ketone obtained by replacing two of its chlorine atoms by oxygen (II), and the reaction product with aniline (III) have been given these structures: 190, 603

Thiophosgene dimer was formerly assigned a linear structure, Cl₃CSCSCl.⁵⁵¹ The melting points are suspiciously high for monomers.

By heating acetone and phosphorus pentasulfide a compound was obtained having the composition and molecular weight corresponding to the formula, $(C_3H_6S)_2$. This was called "duplosulfacetone" and assigned the cyclic formula: ^{16, 393, 635b, 704}

The same compound was formed when acetone and phosphorus trisulfide were heated together in a sealed tube. Doubt has been

cast on this compound.⁸⁹ What was supposed to be the same compound was obtained by the oxidation of i-propyl mercaptan.^{161b} The disulfone is stable.¹⁶ A compound which may be of this type has been prepared by treating acetophenone with hydrogen sulfide and hydrogen chloride.¹³⁷

By heating ketones with phosphorus pentasulfide several dimeric thicketones have been obtained: $(Me_2CS)_2$, $(MeCSEt)_2$, and $(Et_2CS)_2$. The product from dipropyl ketone was a mixture of monomer and dimer. Benzylideneacetone, ammonia, and hydrogen sulfide give the dimer, PhCH:CHC(Me) $(S)_2C(Me)$ -CH:CHPh.²⁴⁹ A compound of this type related to benzaldehyde has been reported.⁶¹

Materials obtained by heating unsaturated ketones with phosphorus pentasulfide have been claimed as oil additives.^{514, 555}

Treating acetylacetone with hydrogen sulfide and hydrochloric acid ⁴⁰⁹ gives a compound, melting at 161°, to which has been assigned structure I. From 3-methylacetylacetone with the same reagents a product, II, melting at 193° and containing only three atoms of sulfur was obtained:

3,3-Dimethylacetylacetone gives a tetramethyl derivative, m. 227°, corresponding to I while 3-methylacetylacetone gives two compounds of the same composition. Quite different structures have been suggested for these dithioderivatives of β -diketones. Complicated compounds have been obtained from benzoin by similar treatment. The suggestion of the same compounds have been obtained from benzoin by similar treatment.

The desaurines may be placed here since they are believed to have the structure: 79, 366b, 465b, 467

The dimeric diphenyl thioketene is a yellow, stable, slightly soluble, high melting compound formed when phenyl diphenyl-thionacetate, or dithio-acetate, is heated to 280°: 608

2 Ph₂CHCS·OPh
$$\rightarrow$$
 Ph₂C:C $\stackrel{\$}{>}$ C:CPh₂ + 2 PhOH

The same compound may be obtained by treating diphenylmethyl sodium with carbon disulfide, acidifying and heating: 604

Somewhat analogous compounds, Me₂CSe₂CMe₂, Me₂CSe₂CEt₂, and Me₂CSe₂CPh₂, are from the ketones and hydrogen selenide in the presence of hydrochloric acid.⁴³²

THREE CARBON AND TWO SULFUR ATOMS

Trimethylene Disulfide

This is the only important group of the cyclic disulfides. Trimethylene disulfide and some of the higher ones have been obtained by the steam distillation of the appropriate Bunte salts. As appears in Table 4.1 the yields vary greatly with the size of the ring.

Table 4.1

Yields and Relative Activities of Cyclic Disulfides —S—R—S—

No. Members		Yield	Activity
4	$-(CH_2)_2$	trace	6
5	$-(CH_2)_3-$	60%	5+
6	$-(CH_2)_4-$	22	5
7	$-(CH_2)_5$	13	1
8	$-(\mathrm{CH_2})_6$	4	5
9	$-(\mathrm{CH_2})_7$	2	1
10	$-(\mathrm{CH_2})_8$	3	5
11	$-(\mathrm{CH_2})_9$	0.2	1
12	$-(CH_2)_{10}$	2	5+
7	$-(CH_2)_2O(CH_2)_2-$	50	4
9	$-(CH_2)_2OCH_2O(CH_2)_2-$	1	1

The monomers pass over as oils which soon polymerize, some more rapidly than others. Figures for the relative rates are in the table under "Activity." On this account it is not practicable to determine physical properties of the monomers.² It is to be noted that there is no relation between the stabilities of the various rings and the amounts of them that are formed. The yield of any ring depends on the probability of the two sulfur atoms being close together at the time the Bunte salt is broken apart. The yield of the trimethylene disulfide is high but it is unstable, while the eleven membered ring is relatively stable though the yield is small. These cyclic disulfides tend to go into linear polymers.^{351, 669}

A compound having the composition of trimethylene disulfide was obtained by treating trimethylene thiocyanate with potassium hydroxide and also by oxidising trimethylene dimercaptan, but the melting points given, 71° and 75°, and the low solubility in organic solvents are proof of its polymeric nature. Some of this is formed when trimethylene sulfide is passed over alumina at 250°. It can be reduced to trimethylene mercaptan by zinc and acid. Recently it has been found that the monomeric trimethylene disulfide can be obtained by the steam distillation of the polymer in the presence of sodium hydroxide and polysulfide 53.7 or of the trimethylene Bunte salt with cupric chloride. This ring is of particular interest since it is the distinctive part of lipoic acid which will be considered in a later section. Its absorption spectra have been studied from that point of view. 136.5

Trimethylene disulfide is said to improve the film strength of lubricating oils. 415b

The reaction of sulfur chloride with naphthalene has been supposed to give a cyclic disulfide, 1,3-C₁₀H₆S₂, which would be of this type.⁶²⁰

Trimethylene disulfide rings that contain substituents are much more stable. Dimethyl-, bis (hydroxymethyl)-, and pentamethylene derivatives have been prepared from the corresponding dibromides, Me₂C(CH₂Br)₂, (HOCH₂)₂C(CH₂Br)₂, and C₅H₁₀C-(CH₂Br)₂, with potassium disulfide or tetrasulfide. The use of the tetrasulfide avoids contamination with the monosulfide. The immediate products are trisulfides, I, IV and VII, from which one third of the sulfur can be removed by copper powder. Reduction

converts the disulfides, II, V, and VIII to the dimercaptans, III, VI, and IX.

The structures given for I, IV, and VII are in accordance with the easy removal of one third of the sulfur. The oxidation of the disulfides gives disulfonic acids. The dimercaptans react with aldehydes and ketones to form 1,3-dithianes which will be considered later.³⁴

Pentaerythrityl bromide, C(CH₂Br)₄, reacts with potassium tetrasulfide to give a product which melts at 184° and has the composition, S₃(CH₂)₂C(CH₂)₂S₃. Boiling this with potassium sulfide in alcohol removes one atom of sulfur and boiling with copper in toluene takes off another. The desulfurization has been represented thus:

Oxidation of any one of these leads to the tetrasulfonic acid, $C(CH_2SO_3H)_4$. Treatment of XII with sodium gives the sodium derivative of the mercaptan $C(CH_2SH)_4$. This reacts with two molecules of an aldehyde or a ketone to give double mercaptals or mercaptoles. These are 1,3-dithianes and will be taken up in a later section.

When potassium disulfide is used instead of the tetrasulfide, the product, XIII, m. 78.5°, has the same composition as XII

but has different properties. One of its four sulfur atoms is removed by copper to $C_5H_8S_3$, m. 56.5°, and oxidation gives a sulfone-disulfonic acid. Two structures, XIII and XIV have been proposed.

Either of these would account for the easy removal of one fourth of the sulfur and for the oxidation to a sulfone-disulfonic acid.^{29a, 29b, 29c} Structure XIII is improbable as there is no authenticated case on record of a disulfide of the structure R₂S:S while it is well known that a disulfide, RS·SR, does take up sulfur, the removal of which regenerates the disulfide:

$$RS_2R + S \Rightarrow RS_3R$$

The structure of the trisulfide group, which has evoked much discussion, will be taken up in Chapter 7.

Oxidation of β,β' -dimercapto-i-butyric acid gives the disulfideacid:

This has been isolated from asparagus.³⁵² Dicarboxy derivatives of cyclic disulfides:

$$\begin{array}{c|cccc} \text{CH(COOH)} & & & \text{CH}_2\text{CH(COOH)} - \text{S} \\ \text{CH(COOH)} - \text{S} & & \text{CH}_2\text{CH(COOH)} - \text{S} \\ \end{array}$$

have been obtained from α,α'-bromoglutaric and α,α'-dibromopimelic acids.^{607d} Treating 1,3-dimercaptoacetone with iodine is supposed to give the ketodisulfide, OC(CH₂S·)₂, but this has not been well characterized.^{607c}

a-Lipoic Acid

α-Lipoic acid, only recently discovered, has been found to be an important factor in photosynthesis, ^{136a} in pyruvic acid oxidation, ^{290, 511, 547, 557a, 611a, 628} and in growth. ^{557b, 611b, 625} It appears to aid the functioning of certain enzymes. ^{557c, 611c} A mechanism

for its action has been proposed.^{557c} At first α -lipoic acid was supposed to function in oxidation and reduction simply by the opening and closing of the disulfide ring, but more recent study has shown that the matter is more complicated than that. There seems to be a β -lipoic acid, an oxidation product of the α -lipoic.⁵⁶⁰ A symposium on lipoic acid was held by the American Society of Biological Chemists in 1954.^{53.5}, ^{136b}, ^{289b}, ^{295.5}, ^{834.5}, ^{870.5}, ^{510.5}, ^{557d}, ^{611d}, ^{650.5}

Several have given accounts of the discovery, isolation, and synthesis of α -lipoic acid. 113.5, 126, 289a, 291, 527.5, 561 Analysis showed it to contain two sulfur atoms to eight carbons and no nitrogen. Desulfurization gave caprylic acid. It was found possible to reduce it to a dimercaptan which could be oxidised back to the original acid. These facts pointed to a disulfide from a dimercaptocaproic acid. 558, 559, 562 It remained to find the location of the sulfur atoms. The 4,8-, 5,8-, and 6,8-dimercaptocaprylic acids were synthesized and oxidised to the disulfides. Of these only the 6,8-derivative showed the characteristic biological activity of the natural product. 114, 127 The structures of α -lipoic acid and the dimercaptan are: 335, 561

The addition of benzyl mercaptan to ethyl ζ -octenoate gives an ester which is hydrolyzed to ε -keto- η -benzylmercaptocaprylic acid, PhCH₂SCH₂CH₂CO(CH₂)₄CO₂H (I). From this acid DL-lipoic acid has been synthesized in three ways. 1. This is reduced by sodium borohydride and the hydroxyl tosylated and treated with sodium benzylmercaptide. The resulting ε,η -dibenzylmercaptocaprylic acid is debenzylated by sodium in liquid ammonia and the dimercapto-acid II oxidised. 2. The ketoacid, I, is converted to the dibenzyl mercaptole which is debenzylated to the dimercapto-acid II by sodium in liquid ammonia. 3. The ketoacid I is hydrogenated with sulfur, over a cobalt sulfide catalyst, to the dimercapto-acid II.^{632.5}

ε,η-Dichlorocaprylic acid and benzyl mercaptan, in alkaline solution, give the dibenzylmercapto acid which is debenzylated.

ε,η-Dibromocaprylic acid is converted to the diacylmercapto acid by treatment with sodium thioacetate, this is hydrolyzed to the dimercaptoacid.^{561.5}

Trithiones

The trithiones constitute a newly recognized class of heterocyclics ^{94, 263, 421} which are produced by heating certain organic compounds with sulfur under particular conditions. The substituents R and R' may be alkyls or aryls. In trithione they are both hydrogen. Trithiones are also called 1,2-dithiole-3-thiones.

As sulfur may, and usually does, react with an organic compounds in several different ways simultaneously, a trithione is seldom, if ever, the sole product. The yields of trithiones are variable, frequently very low and in rare cases 90% or better. Organic compounds have been heated with sulfur since time immemorial and it is probable that chemists have had trithiones in their hands many times without recognizing them. Now that their characteristics are known it is much easier to isolate and identify them. In reviewing past chemical literature possible trithiones may be spotted here and there among the many compounds that have been described. Two clear cut examples are given, doubtless many such will come to light.

Back in 1880 Barbaglia heated *i*-valeraldehyde and sulfur to 250° in a sealed tube. By fractionation and recrystallization he isolated a bright yellow solid, melting at 94.5°. This had the composition C₅H₆S₃ and was assigned the structure H₂C·CH·CH·CH·CHS.^{49, 50} Recently this experiment has been

repeated and the product shown to be the 4,5-dimethyltrithione. 613

Erdmann in 1908 heated linally acetate with sulfur and got what he called a "thiozonide," $C_{12}H_{20}O_2S_3$.²¹³ He imagined that the —S—S— added across a double bond like the three oxygen atoms in an ozonide. His product is now recognized as a trithione. The "thiozonides" from isophorone and from 2-methylindole do not appear to be trithiones.^{341,548} "Thiozonides" from

the sulfurizing of pinene ⁵⁸² and terpenes ^{376, 582} were probably trithiones. Patents on gilding materials, later recognized as trithiones, claimed the addition of three atoms of sulfur to unsaturates. ⁹²

In a number of patented processes terpenes have been heated with sulfur under conditions which may have produced trithiones. 100, 206, 260, 331, 365, 417, 464, 637c Sulfurizing dihydropentacene gives a product containing 41.65% sulfur which corresponds to the introduction of 6 atoms of sulfur.449 When toluene vapor is passed through hot sulfur one molecule of it reacts with 5 atoms of sulfur, 3 of which remain and 2 pass off as hydrogen sulfide. These are the exact ratios for making a trithione. The product was a greenish brown solid but its sulfur content was too high.⁵¹⁵ Various other organic compounds give highly colored products with hot sulfur.417, 515, 516 It was suggested by Erdmann that sulfur dyes might contain "thiozonides." 213 Trithiones should have been among the products from refluxing fenchyl alcohol with sulfur. 691 Indole and thianaphthene, heated with sulfur, give compounds of high sulfur content but those reported lack the characteristic color.657 Lupeol and betulin have been sulfurized to what appear to be trithiones. 80, 91

Sulfurizing dipentene, pulegone, carvone,⁵⁸⁹ and α -pinene ⁵⁴⁰ gives compounds containing four atoms of sulfur each. These may be trithiones with an extra sulfur somewhere in the molecule.

In the art of gilding chinaware it has long been the custom to heat turpentine, or some other hydrocarbon, with sulfur and to treat the sulfurized product with gold chloride. It is desirable to have a material of high metal content which blends well with oils to make the paint for decorating the ware. If everything is just right, when the ware is fired, the gold is left as a bright, continuous, adherent film. A possible reaction in the sulfurization of a terpene, at around 150°, is the formation of a mercaptan, C₁₀H₁₅SH, from which aurous mercaptide, C₁₀H₁₆SAu (Au 59.3%), might be derived. A product of approximately this composition has been used commercially. With more sulfur and at higher temperatures a trithione may be formed. A 65% yield of a trithione from pinene has been reported. A trithione forms a complex with gold chloride and it is quite possible that trithiones have been present in some preparations of gilding mate-

rials. Complexes of gold salts with organic sulfides have been mentioned in chapter 2, volume II.

Structure of Trithiones

The peculiar —S—S—CS— grouping was first recognized by Anna Mannessier in benzotrithione. Heating saccharin, I, with phosphorus pentasulfide at 220° gives thiosaccharin, II, in which the carbonyl oxygen has been replaced by sulfur. A second reaction, beginning at this temperature and becoming rapid at a slightly higher, produces the red benzotrithione, III.⁴⁴²

$$SO_2$$
 NH \rightarrow SO_2 NH \rightarrow

The red benzotrithione, III, was hydrolyzed by alkali to thiosalicylic acid. 443

The structure of III was confirmed by a group of English chemists, ^{435, 436, 437, 440, 627} who worked in reverse, starting with thiosalicylic acid and ending up with N-methylsaccharin. Oxidation and condensation take place when thiosalicylic acid and hydrogen sulfide are dissolved in concentrated sulfuric acid with the formation of benzo-1,2-dithiole, or dithiobenzoyl, IV. The perthioacid, o-HSSC₆H₄CO₂H, has been suggested as an intermediate. ⁶²⁷ IV was converted to benzotrithione, III, by treatment with phosphorus pentasulfide. Methylamine replaced one of the sulfur atoms by > NMe giving V. This was oxidised by hydrogen peroxide to N-methylsaccharin VI.

What was later identified ⁵⁹⁸ as compound IV had been obtained in 1910 by heating the disulfide of thiosalicylic acid, but given another name and structure.³²⁵

Benzotrithione is obtained directly from thiosalicylic acid by treating it with phosphorus pentasulfide.²³⁶ It has been prepared recently by sufurizing 1-methylcyclohexene.^{407, 424} Heating benzaldehyde with sulfur does not give it as might be expected.⁵⁰ o-Benzoic acid diselenide, (o-HO₂CC₆H₄Se)₂, with this reagent, gives the compound with selenium in the 1-position, while with phosphorus pentaselenide the triselenone is formed.⁴

The significance of these results on benzotrithiones does not seem to have been fully appreciated by later investigators on trithiones.

Our knowledge of the chemistry of the trithiones is a composite of the findings of several groups of chemists, working independently in several countries and more or less simultaneously. As much of the work was done during World War II, when the publication of articles and the issuing of patents were delayed, there was some duplication of effort. While there were differences in their approaches and in the details of their experiments all of the investigators came to essentially the same conclusions. Trithiones have been reviewed.⁵⁵

The first trithione identified as such was the one from anethole and this is the one that has been used most extensively in working out the chemistry of the group. Years ago anise oil was heated with sulfur to make "anisated balsam of sulfur," 444 which may, or may not, have contained some of the trithione. The proportion of sulfur was low and the temperature was probably not high enough to produce any appreciable amount. The use of anethole in ceramic materials led to the discovery of the trithiones. To prepare the trithione, anethole is heated with 87% of its weight of sulfur. At 175° the evolution of hydrogen sulfide begins and a spontaneous reaction sets in which takes the temperature up to 240°. The mixture is stirred for an hour at 220°. As the reported yield is around 53%, it is evident that other reactions take place. Ye

The product is a bright orange-red solid. It contains no labile hydrogen, hence is not an acid or a mercaptan. It forms addition compounds with gold and mercury chlorides.⁹⁴ Oxidation converts it to anisic acid ^{94, 262} and so does heating it with potassium

hydroxide in the absence of air. These facts show that the methoxyl group and the benzene ring are not involved in the formation of the trithione and that all of the sulfur is attached to the 3 carbon chain. The formation of an oxime shows the presence of the > CS group. Two atoms of sulfur are removed as sodium sulfide by sodium and ethanol. Only the terminal carbon of the -CH:CHCH₃ side chain could be sulfurized to > CS. A consideration of these facts led to the trithione structure with the p-methoxyphenyl in the 5-position. The fact that this trithione takes up two atoms of chlorine, bromine or iodine 423 has been taken to show that the double bond of anethole is still present. The reaction of trithiones with halogens will be taken up later. Adducts are formed with alkyl halides, the decomposition of which gives mercaptans, showing that the attachment is to the > CS group. 427

Back in 1897 Baumann and Fromm heated ethyl cinnamate with sulfur and got a dithione, C₉H₆OS₂, to which they assigned the structure:

Treating this with phenylhydrazine gave 1,3-diphenylpyrazolone-5.60 This work has been repeated and p-methoxycinnamic ester given the same treatment. Both of the products were treated with phosphorus pentasulfide, the accepted method for converting a carbonyl group to the thione, $> CS.^{93a}$ The one from p-methoxycinnamic ester proved to be identical with the trithione from anethole. Conversely the > CS group can be oxidised to the carbonyl, thus the trithione from anisole, treated with mercuric acetate 91 or permanganate $^{262, 421, 684}$ is converted to the dithione obtained by the sulfurization of p-methoxycinnamic ester: 91

$$MeOC_6H_4C = CH$$
 S
 CS
 \Rightarrow
 $MeOC_6H_4C = CH$
 S
 S

The same reciprocal transformations have been demonstrated for the corresponding 5-phenyl compounds.^{430, 684} The sulfurization of a dithione to a trithione is a perfectly general reaction as is the oxidation of a trithione to a dithione.

5-(p-Hydroxyphenyl)-trithione is obtained by demethylating the p-methoxy compound by pyridine hydrochloride.⁵⁸⁹

When a cinnamic ester having a methyl group in the side chain is sulfurized the methyl group is attacked and the product is a carboxytrithione instead of a dithione. 93a. 425, 589

Sulfurizing unsaturated esters gives dithiones which can be changed to trithiones by treatment with phosphorus pentasulfide. It has been found possible to combine these two treatments. The ester is heated with a mixture of sulfur and phosphorus pentasulfide. Cinnamic ester reacts satisfactorily at 130°. 4,5-Dimethyltrithione has been made in this way from angelic and tiglic esters and from the acetoacetic ester, MeCOCHMeCO₂Et, which in its enol form is an unsaturated ester. 62, 428 Cinnamic alcohol and aldehyde give the trithione with sulfur alone.

Trithiones are prepared from β -keto-esters and phosphorus pentasulfide in boiling xylene. 2-Carbethoxycyclopentanone and 2-carbethoxycyclohexanone give bicyclic trithiones. Propiophenone and its p-methoxy- derivative heated with sulfur and phosphorus pentasulfide, give trithiones with the phenyl group in the 5-position.

Formation of Trithiones

As the trithione ring contains the grouping, —CH:CH·CS·S—, the starting material must have a chain of three carbon atoms two of which should be joined by a double bond and the third should be a primary carbon. Propylene is the simplest hydrocarbon that meets these conditions. When it is passed over sulfur at 220–50° trithione is formed but the yield is poor.⁴³⁰ The reaction conditions are not favorable. The solubility of the gas in sulfur at that temperature must be very low. Pressure might be used to improve the contact but two molecules of hydrogen sulfide are given off for one of propylene that reacts:

$$H_2C:CH\cdot CH_3 + 5S \rightarrow C_3H_2S_3 + 2H_2S_3$$

In anethole, p-MeOC₀H₄CH:CHCH₃, the side chain is just right for trithione formation and its boiling point, 235°, is sufficiently high for it to remain in the reaction mixture while the hydrogen sulfide escapes. Its isomer estragole, MeOC₆H₄CH₂-

CH:CH₂, gives the same trithione under the same conditions ²⁶², ⁵⁸⁹ but the yield is lower.

Eugenol, 4,3-HO (MeO) C₆H₃CH₂CH:CH₂, and isoeugenol, 4,3-HO (MeO) C₆H₃CH:CHMe, give the same trithione.^{94, 421} Only one is possible. Isomerization may take place, either before or during the sulfurization. The same holds for the formation of trithiones from similar pairs, safrole and isosafrole,⁹⁴ allylbenzene and propenylbenzene.^{683, 684} The phenyl group will be found in the 5-position in the resulting trithione. Aromatics having allylic or propenylic side chains are particularly suitable for the preparation of trithiones.^{91, 93a, 683, 684} The sulfuration of anethole may be effected even in boiling toluene in the presence of a tertiary amine.³⁸⁹ α-Methylstilbene goes to 4,5-diphenyltrithione.⁶⁸⁴

When there are just three carbons in the aliphatic side chain the attack by the sulfur is confined to them and the product is apt to be a trithione. When there are four or more carbons a thiophene may be formed.⁶⁸⁶ Thus 1-phenylbutene-1 and 4-phenylbutene-1 give 2-phenylthiophene ⁶⁸⁵ and 2-phenyl-3-methylbutadiene goes to 3-methyl-4-phenylthiophene.⁶⁸³ It could not generate a trithione without breaking a carbon to carbon bond. 2-Phenylbutene-2 gave 3-phenylthiophene.¹¹⁶ The formation of 4-phenyl-5-methyltrithione from this hydrocarbon looks possible. It is interesting to write the stoichiometric equations for the formation of the two:

Other things being equal a higher sulfur ratio should favor trithione formation. Two molecules of hydrogen sulfide are evolved in each case and the phenylthiophene and methylphenyltrithione contain the same number of hydrogen atoms. In many cases it is likely that both are formed, the relative amounts depending on reaction conditions as well as on the structure of the starting materials. In the case of 2-(p-methoxyphenyl)- butene-2, a good yield of 4-p-methoxyphenyl-5-methyltrithione was isolated along with some of the 3-p-methoxy-phenylthiophene. α -Methylstyrene gives a good yield of the trithione, ^{589, 684} though it does not react as rapidly as its p-methyl and p-methoxy derivatives. ⁵⁸⁹

Unsaturation in the side chain of starting materials is not necessary. It may well be that the sulfur splits off hydrogen and

then reacts with the resulting unsaturate. Cumene gives a high yield of the 4-phenyl-trithione. An alkyl group in the para position influences the reaction velocity. p-Cymene reacts 4.9 times as fast, p-ethylcumene 1.8 times and p-t-butyl only half as fast. p-t-butyl only half as

Methylphenylacetylene, PhC:CMe, and propriophenone are sulfurized to 4-phenyltrithione.⁴²² Quite unexpected was the finding of some trithione and its isomer, vinylene trithiocarbonate, along with thiophene and other products when acetylene and sulfur were heated to 450°. These may have been formed by the addition of sulfur and carbon disulfide to acetylene or from acetone in the acetylene.¹⁵¹

Trithione formation is aided greatly by the presence of catalytic amounts of tertiary amines.^{230, 389} In a recorded experiment a toluene solution of anethole and sulfur was refluxed. In 10 hours 90% of the sulfur had reacted.³⁸⁹

Isobutylene gives 4-methyltrithione.⁶³⁴ When the double bond is farther from the end of the chain than the β -position the necessary methyl group must be a branch. Thus *i*-amylene, 2-methylbutene-2, gives 4,5-dimethyltrithione.^{117, 613, 634} This is the same trithione that is formed when *i*-valeraldehyde is heated with sulfur. It is to be remembered that *i*-amyl alcohol and the aldehyde from it, are mixtures. Of the two isomers, only II should form this trithione:

Mechanism of Trithione Formation

Nothing even approaching a complete picture can be given, but facts are known from which some inferences can be drawn. When a hydrocarbon is heated with sulfur various reactions may take place, simultaneously and consecutively. Which of these predominate and what the final products will be depend on the nature of the hydrocarbon and the reaction conditions, particularly the temperature and the proportion of sulfur. At higher temperatures hydrogen sulfide and other volatile products may escape from the reaction zone unless kept in by pressure. Trithione formation has been considered to be conditioned by the

presence of unsaturates of a particular structure. As dehydrogenation and shifting of double bonds may take place during the heating, trithiones are sometimes obtained from materials in which the double bond is not properly placed or is even absent.²⁴⁴ Particularly at higher temperatures, thiophenes may be formed.

It is now generally accepted that the attack by sulfur is on the hydrogen of the methylene group, —CH₂—, adjacent to the double bond.⁶⁸⁴ The importance of the double bond seems to be in that it facilitates and directs this attack to the proper place. With a saturated hydrocarbon the location of the point of attack is a matter of chance and further sulfurization may not lead to a trithione. Thus isooctane gives some of a trithione ²⁴⁴ but much less than does diisobutylene.

The results of an investigation intended to throw light on the vulcanization of rubber 223 are of interest in this connection. Each of three unsaturated hydrocarbons, cyclohexene, 1-methylcyclohexene and isobutene, was heated with sulfur for 5 hours at 140°. The molecular ratio of hydrocarbon to sulfur was around 1:1 instead of 1:5 required for trithione formation. Negligible amounts of thiols and of hydrogen sulfide were found in the products. This does not prove that these had not been formed. Hydrogen sulfide may have combined with the unsaturate to give a mercaptan. Mercaptans combine with unsaturates to form sulfides 356 and are converted to disulfides and polysulfides by sulfur. 430 The fact that only small amounts of monosulfides were found in the products from the first two and none in that from the third may be taken to indicate that hydrogen sulfide and mercaptans have not been important factors. Alkyl sulfides, once formed, are not converted to disulfides under these conditions. The products isolated from the cyclohexene experiment had the composition, C₆H₉S_xC₆H₁₁ in which x is from 1 to 6 but chiefly 2, 3, 4 and 5. With isobutylene x was 2, 3 and 4. It is possible, but hardly probable, that C₆H₉S_xC₆H₁₁ may have been a mixture of equal amounts of C₆H₉S_xC₆H₉ and C₆H₁₁S_xC₆H₁₁. An explanation, which may not be correct, but which fits the known facts, is that the S₈ molecule breaks into fragments —S—, —S·S—, -S·S·S-, etc. and that one of these attacks the -CH₂- adjacent to the double bond:

The addition of these to cyclohexene may follow:

$$C_6H_9SH + C_6H_{10} \rightarrow C_6H_9SC_6H_{11}$$

 $C_6H_9S_3H + C_6H_{10} \rightarrow C_6H_9S_3C_6H_{11}$

The polysulfides being capable of giving off, or taking up sulfur, are in equilibrium with each other and with sulfur.²²³

In another investigation 117 three unsaturated hydrocarbons, 2-methylbutene-2, pentene-2 and 2,3-dimethylbutene, were sulfurized at 170°. The products from 2-methylbutene-2 were: a thiol, Me₂C:CHCH₂SH, which may have been partly the isomeric MeCH:CMeCH₂SH, a sulfide, C₁₀H₂₀S, a disulfide, C₁₀H₂₀S₂, a trisulfide, C₁₀H₂₀S₃, 4,5-dimethyltrithione and a nonvolatile residue, from which some pentasulfide was isolated. The amounts of thiol and monosulfide were negligible. Oxidation of the disulfide gave acetone, which indicates that one of the alkyls had the structure assigned to the alkyl of the thiol. The results were explained, as above, by assuming that a fragment of the S₈ molecule displaces a methylene hydrogen to form a mercaptan, C₄H₇S_xH, which attaches itself to the isoamylene to form the polysulfide, t-AmS_xC₄H₇, C₁₀H₂₀S_x. The products isolated from the sulfurization of pentene-2 were the disulfide, C₁₀H₂₀S₂, the trisulfide, C₁₀H₂₀S₃ and 5-ethyltrithione. With 2,3-dimethylbutene-2 the principal product was the trisulfide, C₁₂H₂₄S₃. No trithione was found.

In an earlier study of the sulfurization of 2-methylbutene-2 at 120 to 140°, sulfides and disulfides containing the groups, —SCH₂CMe:CHMe, —SCHMeCMe:CH₂, and —SCH₂CH:C-Me₂, were isolated.¹² This shows that the sulfur had attacked the hydrocarbon at all possible places. The principal attack was on the 1-carbon. If the hydrocarbon is written (H₃C)₂C:CHCH₃ it can be seen that there are six chances for this to three for the 4-carbon and one for the 3-carbon.

Attention is called to two other ways in which polysulfides may be formed. A perthiomercaptan might react with a mercaptan:

RSSSH + HSR
$$\rightarrow$$
 RSSSR + H₂S

Or a mercaptan might be sulfurized to a disulfide which would take up additional sulfur. In either of these hydrogen sulfide would be formed. The addition of this to the amylene would give t-amyl mercaptan, the sulfurization of which would give t-amyl polysulfide, $C_{10}H_{22}S_x$. This contains more hydrogen than the polysulfide, $C_{10}H_{20}S_x$ accounted for by the above theory. In an investigation of the sulfurization of 2-methylbutene-2 attention was called to the fact that the polysulfides had more hydrogen than that calculated for $C_{10}H_{20}S_x$.⁶¹³ In the sulfurization of dipentene, $C_{10}H_{16}$, a trisulfide, $C_{10}H_{18}S_3$, was obtained.^{93a} This may have been formed by the addition of two molecules of hydrogen sulfide and the sulfurization of the product.

Recent experiments on the sulfurization of cumene and p-cymene lead to improved methods for preparing certain trithiones and also throw light on the reactions involved.230 In one run 1108 g. of p-cumene was refluxed 20 hours with 400 g. of sulfur and 8.2 g. of di-o-tolylguanidine. On cooling, 355 g. of 4-p-tolyltrithione crystallized out. Topping off the excess p-cymene left 330 g. of a heavy liquid which was shown, by analysis and other tests, to be the disulfide, MeC₆H₄CMe₂SSCMe₂C₆H₄Me. It was colored red and contained 19.70% sulfur instead of the calculated 19.39%, indicating a trace of the trithione. Adding the amount of sulfur in these two products to that which must have been in the hydrogen sulfide evolved in their formation accounts for the sulfur used. The results may be accounted for by assuming that the p-cymene was sulfurized to the mercaptan, that the mercaptan was converted to the disulfide and that the disulfide took up sulfur which was used up in sulfurizing a part of the polysulfide to trithione:

It is well known that amines facilitate the conversion of mercaptans into disulfides by sulfur and also the passage of disulfides into polysulfides and the reverse reaction. It has been shown that alkyl polysulfides are prime sulfurizing agents.³⁵⁶ In this case the polysulfides, which must have been intermediates, were reduced so completely to the disulfide that the sensitive copper strip test was negative.

The ease with which p-cymene is sulfurized to the trithione is due to the extreme lability of the tertiary hydrogen. Cumene gave equally as good results though it did not react so rapidly. Under the same conditions the isomeric n-propylbenzene did not react.²³⁰

It has been shown that cinnamyl mercaptan gives 5-phenyltrithione when it is heated with sulfur. The mercaptan and sulfur react readily:

2 PhCH:CHCH₂SH + S
$$\rightarrow$$
 (PhCH:CHCH₂)₂S₂ + H₂S

Even at 50° this reaction is 62% complete in 2 hours. This disulfide and sulfur give the trithione. The trisulfide, when heated without additional sulfur, gives the trithione and propylbenzene:

$$(\mathsf{PhCH}.\mathsf{CHCH}_2)_2 \mathsf{S}_3 \qquad \rightarrow \qquad \mathsf{C}_6 \mathsf{H}_6 \mathsf{S}_3 \quad + \quad \mathsf{PhPi}$$

The hydrogen that is displaced from one cinnamyl radical saturates the other.⁴³⁰ The reaction is certainly not as simple as it is written.

These experiments show that trithione formation proceeds readily once the methyl contains sulfur. They have nothing to say about the point of attack of sulfur on an unsulfurized hydrocarbon. It has been suggested that the mercaptan is sulfurized to the thioaldehyde, PhCH:CHCHS and then to dithiocinnamic acid, PhCH:CHCSSH.⁶⁸⁴ This would not fit the case of a tertiary mercaptan such as PhCMe₂SH.

Trithiones have been made from i-amyl sulfide and disulfide and from i-butyl disulfide. The branching of the chain makes quite a difference: n-Bu₂S₂ gave 3% and i-Bu₂S₂ 13% and n-Am₂S₂ 3% and i-Am₂S₂ 16%.⁶⁹⁵

The formation of trithiones from the two dissobutylenes is of particular interest and has been studied with care. 634, 644, 645 The structures of the dissobutylenes, A and B, are such that there are only two positions in which a double bond can be located and there are only two possible trithiones, I and II.

From these structures it would be expected that the isomer A would give the trithione I and that II would come from B. Curiously enough, each of the isomers, A and B, gives both of the trithiones, and in approximately the same ratio, two of I to one of II. In both the carbon of the 2-methyl group is the one that is completely sulfurized, whether or not it is the one first attacked. The presence of a double bond is important but it may shift its position.

As two molecules of hydrogen sulfide are formed to one of the trithione its pressure builds up rapidly when the reaction is carried out in a closed system. The yield of trithione is much larger when the hydrogen sulfide is vented so that its pressure does not exceed 60 pounds.⁶⁴⁴

Reactions of Trithiones

Alkaline Hydrolysis

Observed facts show quite well what reactions take place but their exact sequence is not clear. Two atoms of sulfur are removed as sodium sulfide 94 and the third as sulfur. The reactions have been formulated as follows: 428

The product is an α -alkyl-, or α -aryl-, acetoacetic acid which may hydrolyze in either of two ways:

1) RCOCHR'CO₂H + H₂O
$$\rightarrow$$
 RCOCH₂R' + CO₂ + H₂O 2) RCOCHR'CO₂H + H₂O \rightarrow RCOOH + H₂CR'CO₂H

Methyl ethyl ketone was obtained from 4,5-dimethyltrithione.⁴²⁸ The presence of p-MeOC₆H₄COCH₂CO₂H as an intermediate in the hydrolysis of the anethole trithione was proved by the isolation of the ketone, p-MeOC₆H₄COMe.⁵⁸⁹ The anisic acid which is produced ⁹⁴ can come from the same intermediate. The hydrolysis of 4-methyl-5-phenyltrithione gave benzoic acid.⁶⁸⁴

The hydrolysis of the unsubstituted trithione, in which R and R' are H, gave formic and acetic acids according to reaction 2.151

The hydrolysis of 4-methyltrithione, in which R' is methyl gave formic and propionic acids. The hydrolysis of 4-neopentyltrithione, in which R=H and R'=Me₃C·CH₂, gave formic acid and γ,γ-dimethylvaleric acid, Me₃CCH₂CH₂CO₂H, mixed with some of the corresponding thioacid, Me₃CCH₂CH₂COSH, indicating that splitting went on before the last sulfur atom was eliminated. Similarly from 4-methyl-5-t-butyltrithione, in which R'=Me and R=Me₃C, propionic and pivalic, Me₃C·CO₂H, acids were obtained. Besides these some ethyl t-butyl ketone was isolated, which had been formed according to reaction 1.⁶³⁴ This has been claimed as a method of preparing γ,γ-dimethylvaleric acid.⁶³³

In these three hydrolysis experiments the production of dimethyl sulfide and disulfide by treatment of the alkaline solution with dimethyl sulfate showed the presence of sodium sulfide and disulfide. The liberated sulfur had combined with a part of the sodium sulfide.

The formation of trithiones from β -keto-esters has been noted above. The hydrolysis of trithiones to β -keto-acids, here postulated, is essentially a reversal of this. Sodium hydroxide acts also as a desulfurizing agent.

The hydrolysis of 5-phenyldithione appears to follow the same course as that of the trithione. The presence of PhC(SH):-CHCOSH, III in the above scheme, was shown by the formation of PhC(SCH₂CO₂H):CHCOSCH₂CO₂H when sodium chloroacetate was added.²⁴³ Ammonia replaces the sulfur atom in the 2-position by > NH to form 2-thiobenzimide.⁴⁴⁰ An amine gives the N-alkylimide. The imide can be reduced and then oxidised to the amide of the disulfide of thiosalicylic acid, (o-H₂NCOC₆-H₅S·)₂.^{434, 435}

Other Reactions

Grote's reagent gives purple-red ¹¹⁷ or cherry-red ⁶⁸⁴ colors with trithiones. They are oxidised by hydrogen peroxide, or nitric acid, to sulfuric acid. 4-Methyl-5-phenyltrithione gives benzoic acid also. ⁶⁸⁴

Trithiones take up chlorine, 423, 684 bromine, and iodine. 117, 423, 684 Chlorine replaces the thione sulfur by chlorine, converting > CS to > CCl₂. 476, 634 Thionyl and sulfuryl chlorides couple two molecules of a trithione together. 476 Iodine is said to convert a trithione to a disulfide, involving the thione sulfur. 423, 427

Trithiones form adducts with mercuric chloride ^{93a, 94, 151, 162, 421, 423, 424, 634, 684} and bromide, ^{117, 684} silver nitrate, ^{94, 151, 684} cuprous bromide, ⁶⁸⁴ cupric chloride, ¹⁵¹ and with the chlorides of antimony, ^{423, 476} tin, ^{421, 423, 476} zinc, cadmium, ⁶⁸⁴ gold, ^{94, 684} bismuth, ^{476, 684} platinum, palladium, and iron. ⁶⁸⁴ The 4-phenyl-, 5-phenyl-, and 4-methyl-5-phenyl-trithiones have been recommended as reagents for the detection of silver, gold, mercury, tin, platinum, and palladium. ⁶⁸⁷

Trithiones are soluble in concentrated acids and are precipitated unchanged on dilution. 162, 684

Trithionium Salts

Trithiones combine with alkyl halides or sulfates.^{55, 93a, 94, 117, 151, 230, 421, 427, 428, 634, 684} This subject has been summarized.⁴³¹ The reaction is similar to the addition of halides to thiourea. The alkyl attaches itself to the carbonyl sulfur and the product is a salt. From analogy to the isothiuronium salts these have been called trithionium salts. The adjacent sulfur atom takes on sulfonium characteristics. The orange color of a trithione becomes lighter when it passes into a trithionium salt.⁴³¹ The trithionium salt from 3,4-dihydroxyphenyltrithione changes from orange to blue when its solution is made alkaline, indicating a shift to a quinoid form.⁴³¹ When heated, an alkyltrithionium salt dissociates into its original components. Methyltrithionium iodide has been shown to be a methylating agent. Whether this is due to the trithionium salt or to the methyl from its decomposition has not been demonstrated.

The most interesting reaction of the trithionium salts is that with amines. This is analogous to the reaction of isothiuronium salts with amines but proceeds more readily. With aniline the mercaptan is displaced and an anil is formed:

p-Aminobenzoic acid and p-dimethylaminoaniline react similarly. Hydrazine gives an azine while hydrazones give mixed azines. Hydrazine can be used to couple a trithionium salt with a carbonyl compound, such as pyruvic acid. Trithiones do undergo

reactions of this type but much more slowly and with poorer yields.

Physiological

The only trithione that has been investigated extensively is the one from anethole. It stimulates the liver, ^{296, 386, 387} increases bile secretion, ^{296, 386, 387} and causes an increase in nitrogen metabolism. ^{387, 481} Taken by mouth it shows low toxicity. ⁵⁵ Their water-soluble sulfonium salts have some disinfectant activity. ⁵⁵ The activity remains when the thione sulfur is replaced by nitrogen as in the oxime. It is even greater in the mixed azine. ⁴⁸¹

Applications

So far the possible applications of trithiones have not been explored sufficiently to show the extent of their usefulness. The mixture of the two from diisobutylene is claimed as a fuel additive. 645, 646 Trithiones have a marked affinity for metal surfaces and are excellent protective agents particularly for iron. This is attributed to the identity of the S—S distance in the trithione and the Fe—Fe distance in α-iron. Trithiones have been compared with other pickling inhibitors in hydrochloric, sulfuric, and acetic acids. They rate high in effectiveness. They have been recommended as additions to high pressure lubricants for and to cutting oils. They have been claimed as constituents for lubricating oils. They have been the subjects of numerous patents. 55, 92, 206, 260, 261, 876, 645, 646

Dithiolane

The best known derivatives are mercaptals and mercaptoles which are obtained from ethylene mercaptan with aldehydes or ketones.

Usually the preparation of these is a simple matter; the calculated amounts of the reactants are mixed and hydrogen chloride is passed in. With aldehydes the reaction is usually rapid, the mixture becoming cloudy with the first bubbles of hydrogen chloride. Ketones react more slowly. The reaction may be started with concentrated hydrochloric acid, instead of the gaseous hydrogen chloride. When it appears to have gone as far as it will, the separation of the water layer may be aided by the addition of some syrupy zinc chloride. The water layer is separated and the remaining mixture resaturated with hydrogen chloride. Zinc chloride may be added to push the reaction to completion, but this is seldom necessary. The yields are usually practically quantitative. Recently boron trifluoride etherate has been recommended as a catalyst. This has given excellent results in the few cases in which it has been used.²³¹

Dithiolanes have been prepared from formaldehyde, acetaldehyde, propionaldehyde, benzaldehyde, and anisaldehyde and from acetone, benzophenone, pyruvic acid, and a number of other ketones, including some cyclic. 316, 317, 318, 564 The majority of those that are known are viscous liquids or low melting solids. They are more stable to heat than mercaptals or mercaptoles of comparable molecular weight from univalent mercaptans. Thus MeCH(SCH₂·)₂ can be distilled at atmospheric pressure, while acetone diethylmercaptole, Me₂C(SEt)₂, can not be. Some of these dithiolanes have been oxidised to the disulfones, but this does not always go smoothly.²²⁵

1,3-Dithiolane, CH₂(SCH₂·)₂, the simplest member of this group, is less easy to prepare than the higher members.⁶² The best method is to distill a mixture of formaldehyde and sodium ethylene thiosulfate.²⁷⁰ It has been prepared by the reaction of ethanedithiol with formaldehyde ¹⁵¹ or with methylene chloride.⁶⁷¹ The mercuric chloride addition product and a methiodide are known.²⁷⁰

A double compound, (•CH₂S)₂CH•CH(SCH₂•)₂, has been made from glyoxal.^{225, 545} From ethylene mercaptan and ethyl orthoformate a compound has been prepared which may have the formula, (•CH₂S)₂CHSCH₂CH₂SCH (SCH₂•)₂, and belong to this class. Hexanedithiol-1,2 condenses with acetone to 2,2-dimethyl-4-butyl-1,3-dithiolane.³⁶

2,3-Dimercaptopropanol condenses with aldehydes and ketones to give dithiolanes substituted in the 2-position and having —CH₂OH in the 4-position.^{532, 649}

Ethylene mercaptan reacts with only one of the ketone groups in benzil to give 2-phenyl-2-benzoyl-1,3-dithiolane. o-Dimercaptobenzene reacts similarly with benzil and with diacetyl.³⁴³ Ethane-1,2-di-p-toluenesulfonate and desoxybenzoin are condensed by potassium acetate in alcohol to 2-phenyl-2-benzoyl-1,3-dithiolane.¹⁵⁸ Phenacylidene dimercaptan and ethylene bromide react in alkaline solution to give 2-phenacylidenedithiolane, PhCOCH:CH(SCH₂·)₂. The thiophene analog, C₄H₃S·COCH:-CH(SCH₂·)₂, has been prepared similarly.^{366a} Dithiolanes have been prepared from cholestanone and other steroid ketones with the aid of boron trifluoride etherate.²³¹

The ester, (•CH₂S)₂CHCOOEt,^{150, 367} and the corresponding acid, (•CH₂S)₂CHCOOH, are known.^{150, 158, 367} Cinnamaldehyde and α,β-dimercaptopropionic acid give an acid: ⁵⁷¹

$$\begin{array}{c|c} \mathsf{PhCH}: \mathsf{CHCH} & \mathsf{S} \boldsymbol{\cdot} \mathsf{CH}_2 \\ & \mathsf{S} \boldsymbol{\cdot} \mathsf{CHCO}_2 \mathsf{H} \end{array}$$

Similarly 1,3-dithiolanes are obtained from acetone and 2,3-dimercaptoproprionic acid or its esters.^{398, 530}

Ethylene trithiocarbonate, (•CH₂S)₂CS, has the ring structure which puts it in this group, but it seems best to consider it along with other trithiocarbonic esters in Volume 4.

By the action of diazomethane on thiobenzophenone 4,4,5,5-tetraphenyl-1,3-dithiolane is formed:

Diazoethane and diazoacetic ester give the 2-methyl- and 2-carbethoxy derivatives.⁵⁹⁸ 4-Thiochromone,^{597, 599} thioxanthione, and other aromatic thioketones ⁵⁹⁷ react similarly.

The condensation of ethyl 1-carbethoxy-2-oxocyclohexanebuty-rate with ethanedithiol gives 6-(3-carbethoxypropyl)-6-carbethoxy-1,4-dithiaspiro-[4,5]-decane, one ring of which has this structure.⁶⁶⁷

Compounds of this ring structure but having one sulfur atom replaced by oxygen have been obtained in several ways: from an aldehyde, or ketone, with mercaptoethanol or one of its derivatives (I), $^{197, 373, 624b}$ from the lactonization of a hydroxysulfide acid, RCH(OH)SCH₂CO₂H, (II), $^{329, 395a, 395b, 395d}$ from thioglycolic acid and phosgene (III), $^{180, 181}$ or from β -hydroxyethyl thiocyanate (IV). $^{615, 616}$

Cyclohexanone and mercaptoethanol give the spiro compound,

$$\begin{array}{c|c} \mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{CH}_2 & \mathsf{SCH}_2 \\ \mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{CH}_2 & \mathsf{C} & \mathsf{CH}_2 \end{array}$$

Two Sulfur and Four Carbon Atoms

The sulfur atoms can be in the 1,2-, 1,3-, or 1,4-positions giving the unsubstituted rings:

Of these the 1,4- and its derivatives are the best known and the 1,2- the least.

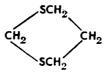
1,2-Dithiane has been made by treating 1,4-tetramethylene dithiocyanate with potassium hydroxide ^{111.5} and also by the reaction of tetramethylene bromide and sodium disulfide.^{53.7} Its preparation from the Bunte salt has been mentioned earlier.²

The oxidation of α,α' -dimercaptoadipic acid gives a 1,2-dithiane derivative: ^{238d}

The meso melts at 199° and the racemic at 275° with decomposition. The latter has been separated into the active forms which melt at 257° and have the rotations [α] 25/D + 336.6° and -335.8°.^{238d} The selenium analog has been reported.^{239a, 239b, 239c}

The 3,6-dimethyl derivative has been prepared from acetonylacetone and hydrogen sulfide. 133

1,3-Dithiane



1,3-Dithiane has been prepared from formaldehyde and trimethylene mercaptan ^{20b, 270} and also from methylene chloride and trimethylene mercaptan in alkaline solution. ⁴⁵⁸ This mercaptan condenses readily with aldehydes and with ketones to give dithianes substituted in the 2-position, RHC(SCH₂)₂CH₂ and RR'C(SCH₂)₂CH₂. ^{19a, 20b, 143, 544} The ultraviolet absorption of 1,3-dithianes has been studied. ¹⁴²

The formal of thioglycolic ester undergoes internal condensation in the presence of sodium ethylate: 152

1,3-Dimercaptopropanol-2 gives a nearly quantitative yield of the mercaptal, PhCH (SCH₂)₂CHOH.⁶⁴⁹ The reaction of PhCO-CH:C(SH)₂ with trimethylene bromide results in the cyclic PhCOCH:C(SCH₂)₂CH₂.^{366a} Propane-1,3-di-p-toluenethiolsulfonate with desoxybenzoin gives 2-benzoyl-2-phenyl-1,3-dithiane, CH₂(CH₂S)₂C(Ph)COPh; with malonic ester the final product is 1,3-dithiane-2-carboxylic acid, CH₂(CH₂S)₂CHCO₂H.¹⁵⁸ The isomer of this acid, CH₂(SCH₂)₂CHCO₂H, is from formaldehyde and 2-carboxytrimethylene mercaptan.^{352,353}

The mercaptans obtained by the action of sodium on the trimethylene disulfide derivatives, mentioned in a previous section, react well with aldehydes and ketones. The resulting mercaptals and mercaptoles are 1,3-dithianes:

The mercaptan with the pentamethylene ring gives spiro compounds. The one from cyclohexanone would be a double spiro:

$$\mathsf{H}_2\mathsf{C} \underbrace{\mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{CH}_2}_{\mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{CH}_2}\mathsf{C} \underbrace{\mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{S}}_{\mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{S}}\mathsf{C} \underbrace{\mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{CH}_2}_{\mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{CH}_2}\mathsf{CH}_2}_{\mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{CH}_2}\mathsf{CH}_2$$

The mercaptan with the two hydroxyl groups reacts in two stages, the second giving a mixed compound:

Tetramercaptoneopentane, C(CH₂SH)₄, reacts with aldehydes and ketones to give spiro-dithiolanes:

$$\mathbf{R_2C} \underbrace{\mathsf{SCH}_2}_{\mathbf{SCH}_2} \mathbf{C} \underbrace{\mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{S}}_{\mathbf{CH}_2} \mathbf{C} \mathbf{R}_2$$

The compound from cyclohexanone contains four rings; as does the one from cyclopentanone: ^{29c}

$$\mathsf{H}_2\mathsf{C} \underbrace{\mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{CH}_2}_{\mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{CH}_2} \mathsf{C} \underbrace{\mathsf{SCH}_2}_{\mathsf{SCH}_2} \mathsf{C} \underbrace{\mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{S}}_{\mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{CH}_2} \mathsf{C} \underbrace{\mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{CH}_2}_{\mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{CH}_2} \mathsf{CH}_2$$

Numerous derivatives of these are in the properties list.

The reaction product of trimethylene mercaptan with 2,3-dichlorodioxane is probably the bis-mercaptal of glyoxal: 545

$$\begin{array}{c} \operatorname{H_2C} & \operatorname{CH_2S} & \operatorname{CHCH} & \operatorname{SCH_2} \\ \operatorname{CH_2S} & \operatorname{SCH_2} & \operatorname{SCH_2} \end{array}$$

With 1,4-diketohexamethylene, OC(CH₂CH₂)₂CO, a linear polymer is obtained.²³²

2,2-Dimethylsilico-1,3-dithiolane, b_2 54°, d 20/4 1.1077, n 20/D 1.5571, has been obtained from dimethylsilicon dichloride, Me₂-SiCl₂.570

1,4-Dithiane

$$\mathsf{CH_2CH_2} \mathsf{S}$$

Since 1,4-dithiane is the one of the three dithianes that is frequently encountered, the numerals are commonly omitted.

Formation

The first preparation of dithiane was by Löwig and Weidmann who treated ethylene chloride with potassium sulfide. In 1839 they could not have understood its structure.⁴¹⁸

The reaction of ethylene bromide on sodium sulfide would be expected to give a high yield of dithiane since it is a six membered ring. As was mentioned in the introduction the product is a mixture of some dithiane and much of the linear polymer: 172a, 172c, 445a, 463a, 465a, 552d

$$\mathsf{BrCH}_2\mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{Br} \quad + \quad \mathsf{Na}_2\mathsf{S} \qquad \rightarrow \qquad \mathsf{S}(\mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{CH}_2)\mathsf{S} \quad + \quad (\mathsf{^{\bullet}CH}_2\mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{S}^{\bullet})_n$$

The proportion of dithiane in the product varies according to the reaction conditions but is usually low. It was noted above that the speeds of formation of five, six, and seven membered sulfonium rings containing one sulfur atom are in the ratio of 6000:76:1. n-Pentane and sulfur give 2-methylthiophene, a five membered ring. Considering the large size of the sulfur atom the low yield of a six membered ring containing two sulfur atoms is not surprising.

The reaction of ethylene chloride and sodium sulfide cannot be stopped at the half way point even when the chloride is in large excess:

$$2 \hspace{.1cm} \text{CICH}_2 \text{CH}_2 \text{CI} \hspace{.1cm} + \hspace{.1cm} \text{Na}_2 \text{S} \hspace{.1cm} \rightarrow \hspace{.1cm} \text{S}(\text{CH}_2 \text{CH}_2 \text{CI})_2 \hspace{.1cm} + \hspace{.1cm} 2 \hspace{.1cm} \text{NaCI}$$

As was brought out more fully when mustard gas was discussed in Volume II, the halogen in the dichloro-sulfide is activated by

the sulfur atom in the β -position, to such an extent that this intermediate cannot survive.²⁷⁸ In one experiment the mixture of ethylene chloride and sodium sulfide solution came in contact with the skin immediately after mixing and caused a slight burn showing the presence of a trace of the intermediate product.⁵⁶³

When a bromine atom is secondary or tertiary there may be dehydrohalogenation. Thus when 2,3-dibromobutane reacts with sodium sulfide 35% of it goes to butene-2 and only 16% to s-tetramethyldithiane. With isobutylene bromide these percentages are 41 and 13 and with 2-methyl-2,3-dibromobutane the yield of trimethylethylene is 69% and that of the cyclic compound zero.²⁶⁴

A metal derivative of ethylene mercaptan and ethylene bromide gives dithiane along with the polymer: 344

Dithiane can be prepared from ethylene mercaptan and ethylene bromide in alcohol solution in the presence of alkali. The more dilute the solution and the lower the reaction temperature the larger the proportion of dithiane in the product.^{344, 465a, 553b, 651} The yield may be as high as 46%.⁶⁷¹

The polymeric by-product which is always obtained in the preparation of dithiane can be converted into dithiane by heating to 160-80°.66, 172c, 344, 445a, 453, 458, 465a, 553b, 651, 671 This statement does not seem to be true of a pure polymer of the composition (•CH₂CH₂S•)_n 66 but is true of a polymer which contains halogen. It is difficult to remove all of the halogen. 172c If the ethylene bromide is in excess the polymer should have bromine terminals, BrCH₂CH₂(SCH₂CH₂)_nSCH₂CH₂Br. The isolation of individual compounds in which n has values of from 9 to 47 has been claimed. 553b The separation of the polymer into fractions of different average molecular weights is easy but to identify these as pure individual compounds is going too far. The decomposition of the polymer is well accounted for by assuming the formation and breaking up of sulfonium compounds.66 The reactions which take place at the end of a polymeric molecule may be written:

$$-\mathsf{SCH}_2\mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{SCH}_2\mathsf{CH}_2$$

$$\mathsf{BrCH}_2\mathsf{CH}_2$$

$$\mathsf{Br}$$

$$-\mathsf{SCH}_2\mathsf{CH}_2$$

$$\mathsf{Br}$$

$$\mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{CH}_2$$

$$\mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{CH}_2$$

$$\mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{CH}_2$$

$$\mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{CH}_2$$

The result is the formation of a molecule of dithiane and the shortening of the polymer. The chain is left with a bromine terminal and the process may be repeated. The fact that the pure polymer, $(\cdot CH_2CH_2S_{\cdot})_n$, which gives no dithiane when heated, does give dithiane in the presence of ethylene bromide is explained on the same basis.⁷¹

$$-\mathsf{SCH}_2\mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{SCH}_2\mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{S}-\mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{S}--\mathsf{SCH}_2\mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{CH}_2$$

$$+ \mathsf{BrCH}_2\mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{Br} \qquad \qquad \mathsf{Br} \qquad \mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{CH}_2$$

$$-\mathsf{SCH}_2\mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{Br} \qquad + \mathsf{S} \qquad \mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{CH}_2$$

$$+ \mathsf{BrCH}_2\mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{S}--$$

$$-\mathsf{SCH}_2\mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{Br} \qquad + \mathsf{S} \qquad \mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{CH}_2$$

This idea was checked by heating diamyl methylene sulfide with ethylene bromide: 458

As has been mentioned earlier in this chapter hydrogen chloride also brings about depolymerization with the formation of ring compounds. Dichloroethyl sulfide when heated in a sealed tube at 182° is converted to dithiane and ethylene chloride: 71

Some dithiane is formed when mustard gas reacts with sodium sulfide. 69a

Early chemists were puzzled by the formation of dithiane when they heated methyl or ethyl sulfide with ethylene bromide. ^{132b, 185, 185} Some dithiane is obtained when ethyl-ethylene dithiophosphite, (•CH₂S)₂POEt, is heated with ethyl iodide. ¹¹ A cyclic sulfide can be obtained from the polymerization products of 2,2'-dihydroxyalkyl sulfides such as thiodiglycol. ^{47b} A small amount

of dithiane is formed when thiodiglycol is passed over heated alumina.^{721b} Ethylene trithiocarbonate and ethylene bromide give dithiane,³⁴⁴ so do methyl vinyl ethylene sulfide, MeSCH₂-CH₂SCH:CH₂, and ethyl iodide.¹⁰⁵ Dithiane has been found in the crude alcohol made by absorbing coke oven ethylene in sulfuric acid.⁶⁶⁶ Dithiane may show up almost anywhere that —CH₂CH₂— and sulfur or its compounds are present. Some dithiane is found in the by-products from the preparation of ethylene mercaptan.^{72, 552a, 553a} Mustard gas, S(CH₂CH₂Cl)₂, heated with a halogen compound, such as benzyl bromide, is converted to a derivative of dithiane.⁵⁰⁶

The tendency to the formation of the dithiane ring is shown by the contraction of a seven membered ring:

This occurs when the hydroxy derivative is heated with thionyl chloride. The formation of this 6-hydroxy-1,4-dithiacycloheptane from 2,3-dibromopropanol and ethanedithiol, instead of the expected six membered ring, seemed to violate this principle.²⁵⁹ This may, however, be explained by assuming that the dibromohydrin was first changed to the epibromohydrin which should give the product that was actually obtained.

2,3,5,6-Tetramethyl-dithiane, S(CHMe·CHMe)₂S, is formed when tetramethyldichloroethyl sulfide is heated with sodium sulfide.⁵³⁹ 2,5-Dialkyl-dithianes result from the treatment of olefins with sulfur monochloride.²⁷⁴

Chloroacetone and hydrogen sulfide with hydrogen chloride give 2,6-dimethyl-(2,6-endosulfido)-1,4-dithiane: 89, 90, 607a

$$\begin{array}{c|c} \mathsf{CH}_2 & \mathsf{C} & \mathsf{Me} \\ \mathsf{CH}_2 & \mathsf{C} & \mathsf{Me} \end{array}$$

Formerly this was thought to be trimeric thioacetone. A double spirodithiane results when ethanedithiol reacts with dichloroacetone:

The analogous double spirothioxane is formed similarly from mercaptoethanol.³⁵

Reactions of Dithiane

Dithiane forms addition compounds with salts of the heavy metals, mercury, ^{102, 344, 552b, 552c} silver, ^{102, 344} cadmium, univalent and bivalent copper, ¹⁰² platinum, ^{102, 344} gold, ^{344, 552b, 552c, 553a, 553c} and iron. ⁵⁵⁴ Mercury may be determined by filtering off and weighing the precipitate, C₄H₈S₂·HgCl₂, which is formed in 0.2 N hydrochloric acid. ^{609, 696} A colored addition compound is formed with tetranitromethane. ⁴³³

Dithiane takes up one or two molecules of methyl iodide to form sulfonium salts, ^{105, 193, 281, 445b, 453, 506} S(CH₂CH₂)₂SMeI, m. 175° and IMeS(CH₂CH₂)₂SMeI, m. 208°. The sulfonium hydroxide, S(CH₂CH₂)₂SMeOH loses a molecule of water and forms CH₂:CHSCH₂CH₂SCH₃. ^{445b} The velocity is proportional to the concentration of the two ions. ²⁸¹ Dithiane combines with bromoacetic acid. The sulfonium bromide, S(CH₂CH₂)₂SCH₂CO₂HBr, melts at 159° and the chloride at 167°. The hydroxide loses a molecule of water:

Under other conditions the product is the isomeric, CH₂:CHSCH₂-CH₂SCH₂CO₂H.⁶⁵¹ The addition of ethyl bromoacetate to dithiane is five times as rapid as to pentamethylene sulfide.¹⁵⁹

Dithiane takes up bromine readily:

$$S(CH_2CH_2)_2S + 2 Br_2 \rightarrow Br_2S(CH_2CH_2)_2SBr_2$$

The product is hydrolyzed to the disulfoxide: 172a, 344

$$\mathrm{Br}_{2}\mathrm{S}(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\mathrm{CH}_{2})_{2}\mathrm{SBr}_{2} \quad + \quad 2\;\mathrm{H}_{2}\mathrm{O} \qquad \rightarrow \qquad \mathrm{OS}(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\mathrm{CH}_{2})\mathrm{SO} \quad + \quad 4\;\mathrm{HBr}$$

The corresponding iodine compound, I₂S(CH₂CH₂)₂SI₂, a blueblack powder, containing 80.8% iodine, has antiseptic properties.²⁴

Oxidation by ordinary nitric acid gives the disulfoxide while fuming takes it to the disulfone. There are two forms of the disulfoxide, one of which is five times as soluble as the other. They are believed to be *cis* and *trans*. There are two forms of the disulfoxide, one of which is five times as soluble as the other.

gives the sulfoxide-sulfone, OS(CH₂CH₂)₂SO₂, m. 279°, and the disulfone, O₂S(CH₂CH₂)₂SO₂, m. > 330°. The sulfoxide-sulfone can be reduced to the monosulfone, m. $200^{\circ}.^{255}$ The monosulfone is formed also by the addition of hydrogen sulfide to divinyl sulfone: ⁶

$$O_2$$
S(CH:CH₂)₂ + H₂S \rightarrow O_2 S(CH₂CH₂)₂S

The dimethyl derivative of this, O₂S(CH₂CHMe)₂S, is formed similarly from diallyl sulfone.³¹ The reaction product of dithiane with chloramine-T is MeC₆H₄SO₂N:S(CH₂CH₂)₂S:NSO₂C₆H₄-CH₃.^{441a}

The ultra-violet,^{227b, 271, 386, 473, 474} infra-red,^{221, 663} and Raman spectra,^{157, 459, 663} dipole moment,⁴⁷⁴ and crystal structure ¹⁹⁸ of dithiane have been investigated. The dipole moment is 0, indicating that it, like dioxane, is a flat molecule.¹³⁴ The vapor is in the "boat" form.³¹² A staggered model is indicated with S—C distance 1.81 Å and C—C 1.54 Å. The S—C—C angle is 111° and the C—S—C 100°.³¹⁴

Derivatives of Dithiane

Ethanedithiol and bromoacetal react to form 2-ethoxydithiane: 519

Mercaptoacetaldehyde exists in labile equilibrium with 2,5-dihydroxydithiane: ³²¹

If instead of the aldehyde an α -mercaptomethyl ketone is the starting material there will be alkyl, 338, 660 or aryl groups on the 2 and 5 carbons and the hydroxyls 46, 284, 355 will be tertiary. A molecule of water is lost leaving an endoxydithiane:

Thus the dehydration of dimeric acetonyl mercaptan gives 2,5-endoxy-2,5-dimethyldithiane. 338, 660 As will be seen later, the endoxy compounds are unstable intermediates on the way to dithiadienes and are seldom isolated. Their presence was not even suspected by some early workers. When β -mercaptoacetal is treated with acid, two molecules of it condense with the elimination of two of alcohol:

$$\mathsf{S} \overset{\mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{CH}(\mathsf{OEt})_2}{+} + \underset{(\mathsf{EtO})_2\mathsf{CHCH}_2}{\overset{\mathsf{H}}{\longrightarrow}} \mathsf{S} \quad \rightarrow \quad \mathsf{S} \overset{\mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{CH}(\mathsf{OEt})}{\overset{\mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{CH}(\mathsf{OEt})}{\hookrightarrow}} \mathsf{S} \ + \ \mathsf{2} \ \mathsf{EtOH}$$

The product is 2,5-diethoxydithiane, a mixture of cis and trans forms. 322, 525

Dithioglycolide, 2,5-diketo-dithiane, is formed when a current of dry air is passed through thioglycolic acid at 120° and the residue distilled in a vacuum:

It is hydrolyzed by alkali, the first product being HSCH₂COSCH₂-CO₂H.⁵⁹³ Its ketone nature is shown by the formation of bisketoles. That from thioglycolic acid is a tetrabasic acid, m. 204°, tetramethyl ester, m. 119.2°.⁵⁹²

Chloromethylsulfenyl chloride and acetoacetic ester give 2,5-diacetyl-2,5-carbethoxy-1,4-dithiane. 111.7 1,3-Dimercaptoacetone is converted by a strong acid to 2,5-dihydroxy-2,5-bis (methyl-thiomethyl)-1,4-dithiane. 607c

Dithiane-2,3-dicarboxylic acid is formed when dibromosuccinic acid reacts with ethylene mercaptan in alkaline solution. There are different forms according to whether the starting material is fumaric or maleic acid.⁴⁸ The ester of the isomeric 2,5-dicarboxylic acid has been made from ethyl α,β -dibromopropionate and sodium sulfide.⁶⁷⁶

1,4-Dithiene and 1,4-Dithiadiene

Back in 1890 Levi 410 obtained an oil, b. 167-70°, by treating thioglycolic acid with phosphorus trisulfide. This he called

biophene and, on the basis of a sulfur analysis, gave it the structure of 1,4-dithiadiene. He prepared acetyl and benzoyl derivatives from it by the Friedel-Crafts reaction. Just what he had remains a mystery as attempts to repeat it have been unsuccessful.^{338, 525}

Formation

A small yield of 2,5-dicarbethoxymethyldithiadiene has been obtained by treating β -acetylmercaptoacetoacetic ester with sulfuric acid and also from β -bromoacetic ester and sodium hydrosulfide. 643

Recently dithiadiene itself has been prepared and thoroughly investigated. A molecule of ethanol can be split off from 2-ethoxy-dithiane leaving 1,4-dithiene.⁵¹⁹ When 2,5-diethoxydithiane is passed over alumina at 300° it loses ethanol in two stages:

At 110° phosphorus pentoxide abstracts only one molecule of alcohol.⁵²⁵

From x-ray diffraction it has been concluded that the unit cell is orthorhombic and that the molecule has the "boat" configuration with an angle of 137° between the planes.⁵²⁴

2,5-Diphenyldithiadiene was first obtained from a substituted pyrimidine.³⁵⁵ It is prepared most conveniently from phenacyl mercaptan: ²⁸⁴

It is unnecessary to prepare the mercaptan as such. A β -keto-halide is made to react with sodium thiosulfate and the resulting Bunte salt is treated with excess hydrochloric acid which condenses the keto-mercaptan as it is liberated. This is a general method and the yields are good.⁴⁶ The same compound can be obtained from 1-chloro-1-phenylacetone by treating it with carbon disulfide and hydrogen chloride.⁸⁹

Reactions

The oxidation of 1,4-dithiadiene takes place in two steps, to the monosulfone, m. 100°, and to the disulfone, m. 242.5°. 525

The oxidation of the 2,5-diphenyl derivative is complicated. A bicyclic intermediate has been isolated. The final products are 50% of the disulfone and benzoic acid, besides sulfuric acid.⁶⁵⁶

Contrary to the reported properties of Levi's compound dithiadiene appears to be aliphatic.⁵²⁴ However, aromatic characteristics are shown by its 2,5-diphenyl derivative. This is nitrated readily, the nitro group entering the 3-position of the dithiadiene ring. Oxidation of the product gives benzoic acid, but no nitrobenzoic. Milder oxidation gives two isomeric monosulfones.⁵²³

When 2,5-diphenyl-1,4-dithiadiene is heated to 190° an exothermic reaction occurs and the temperature goes to 250°. The products are sulfur and the more stable 2,4-diphenyl-thiophene. This is formed also in the thermal decomposition of the monosulfone. In this case the other product is sulfur dioxide. The 6-nitro-2,5-diphenyl-1,4-dithiadiene mentioned above decomposes in the same way. The reaction starts at 135° and 5-nitro-2,4-diphenylthiophene is formed.⁵²³ An attempt was made to introduce the formyl group by means of dimethylformamide and phosphorus oxychloride. The product was 5-formyl-2,4-diphenylthiophene.⁵²³

Benzodithiene and Benzodithiadiene

The synthesis of these was accomplished by a series of reactions analogous to those described above for 1,4-dithiadiene. The reaction product of a molecule of diethyl 2-bromoacetal with one of dithiocatechol in alkaline solution was condensed by hydrogen chloride to 2-ethoxybenzo-1,4-dithiene. Treatment of this with phosphorus pentoxide leaves benzo-1,4-dithiadiene. This is a stable, pale yellow-green oil, b_{0.1} 67-70° and, under nitrogen, at 220° at normal pressure. It fluoresces a brilliant green in ultraviolet light. It was characterized by its ultraviolet spectrum and by its addition compound with trinitrobenzene. 522, 576 The assumed structure has been verified in two ways. The compound was oxidised to the disulfone which was hydrogenated. Dithiocatechol and ethylene bromide reacted in alkaline solution to give benzo-1,4-dithiene which was oxidised to the disulfone which proved to be identical with the other sulfone. The benzo-1.4-dithiene was dehydrogenated by chloranil to benzo-1,4-dithiadiene. 522, 576

Formylation by a standard procedure gave the aldehyde with

no splitting out of sulfur. This was oxidised to the acid.⁵²² Acetylation was accomplished with acetanhydride and 85% phosphoric acid. Mild oxidation of this gave the above carboxylic acid. That these groups are in the dithiadiene ring was proved by drastic oxidation which gave o-benzenedisulfonic acid. This was obtained also by the oxidation of the nitro derivative. Thus the aromatic character of the dithiadiene ring was demonstrated. Substitution takes place in it even more readily than in the adjoining benzene ring.⁵²⁴

The reaction of chloroacetic acid with 4-bromodithiocatechol gives a thiolactone which, in its enol form, can be regarded as a hydroxybenzodithiadiene: ²⁸⁸

Thianthrene

Thianthrene, dibenzodithiadiene, follows logically but is only mentioned here.

1,4-Diselenane

This was first prepared from β,β' -dichloroethyl selenide and lithium selenide ²⁷⁹ but later from aluminum selenide and ethylene bromide. ⁴³⁸ From the x-ray study of the crystals the C—Se bond appears to be longer than was expected. ⁴⁵⁰ It takes up halogens to form a tetrachloride, m. 178–81°, a tetrabromide, m. 148–51°, and a tetraiodide, m. 151°. ⁴³⁸

FIVE CARBON AND TWO SULFUR ATOMS

From α,α' -dibromopimelic acid and sodium polysulfide 1,2-dithiacycloheptane-3,7-dicarboxylic acid has been obtained along with some of the corresponding monosulfide. The 4,8-thioctic acid, which was synthesized in determining the structure of lipoic acid, is 3-(β -carboxyethyl)-1,2-dithiacycloheptane. 126, 127 1,4-Dithiaheptane ^{20b, 458, 671} and its 6-hydroxy derivative ²⁵⁹ have been synthesized by conventional methods.

LARGER RINGS WITH TWO SULFUR ATOMS

The formation of rings of various sizes from aliphatic dimercaptans and α,ω -dihalides has been discussed in the introduction of this chapter. Here attention is directed to a few examples involving aromatic dimercaptans.

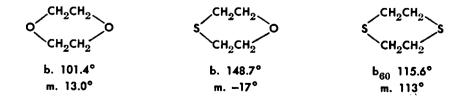
Xylene dimercaptans, $C_6H_4(CH_2SH)_2$, both ortho and meta, have been used in making cyclic compounds. In preparing the dimercaptan from o-xylene dibromide and potassium hydrosulfide the by-product was the dimeric sulfide, $C_6H_4(CH_2SCH_2)_2$ - C_6H_4 instead of $C_6H_4(CH_2)_2S$, the five membered ring which might have been expected. The preparation of the monomeric sulfide has been mentioned above. Two mercaptals from o-xylene dimercaptan, $C_6H_4(CH_2S)_2CH_2$ and $C_6H_4(CH_2S)_2CHMe$, and a mercaptole, $C_6H_4(CH_2S)_2CMePh$, have been prepared. These rings have seven members. 19b

The mercaptole from pentamethylene mercaptan and acetone turned out to be the dimer, H₂C(CH₂CH₂·S·CMe₂·S·CH₂CH₂)₂-CH₂.¹⁸ The reaction of m-xylene dimercaptan with acetone and p-xylene dimercaptan with benzaldehyde gave the 16 and 18 membered mercaptoles, m-C₆H₄(CH₂SC(Me₂)SCH₂)₂C₆H₄ and p-C₆H₄(CH₂SCHPhSCH₂)₂C₆H₄, instead of 8 and 9 membered rings.¹⁷ From m-xylene dibromide and dithioresorcinol, m-C₆H₄-(SH)₂, the 20-membered ring m-C₆H₄(SCH₂C₆H₄CH₂S)₂C₆H₄, is obtained instead of the ten-membered.⁵⁶⁵

2,2'-Dimercaptobiphenyl gives seven membered mercaptals and mercaptoles with aldehydes and ketones.⁵¹

THIOXANE

Thioxane, or oxathiane, S(CH₂CH₂)₂O, may be taken up at this point. It occupies an intermediate place between dioxane and dithiane:



The boiling point of thioxane is approximately the average of those of dioxane and dithiane but the melting point is below that of either. This is to be expected on account of its lower symmetry. Three selenium compounds are added for comparison.^{269, 354, 438}

Thioxane was first made from 2,2'-diiodoethyl ether and potassium sulfide. It is easily prepared. To 2500 cc. of a 2 molar solution of sodium sulfide containing about 1 g. of a dispersing agent, such as a sodium alkylnaphthalenesulfonate, and 16 g. of sodium hydroxide, a solution of 40 g. hydrated magnesium chloride is added slowly with stirring. This mixture is heated to about 70° and 572 g. (4 moles) of dichloroethyl ether added dropwise, with stirring, at such a rate that the temperature keeps around 90 to 95°. External cooling may be used. When after two or three hours the temperature begins to drop, heat is applied and the mixture refluxed for half an hour. The thioxane is distilled out with steam. The crude thioxane should be refluxed with a solution of sodium sulfide or polysulfide to free it from traces of unreacted dichloroether. It is then purified by fractionation.

A mixture of thioxane and water boils at 96° and the distillate is one part thioxane to two of water. The thioxane layer contains about 1% of water, and the water layer about 7% of thioxane. This is best recovered by steam-distilling the water layer. 182

In the preparation of thioxane no appreciable amount of polymer is formed. The tendency to form thioxane is so great that 16% of it is produced even when sodium tetrasulfide is substituted for the sulfide. It is then accompanied by the expected linear polymer having the unit —CH₂CH₂OCH₂CH₂S₄—.⁵²⁷ Thioxane is formed when ethylene oxide,^{721a} or glycol,⁷²² and hydrogen sulfide are passed over alumina at 200–25°, or when thiodiglycol is distilled over potassium bisulfate.^{255, 721b}

The alkaline hydrolysis of 2,2'-dichlorodiethylsulfoxide, OS-(CH₂CH₂Cl)₂, and the sulfone, O₂S(CH₂CH₂Cl)₂, yield the sulfoxide and sulfone of thioxane.^{6, 148}

The 3,5-dimethyl derivative, S(CH₂CHMe)₂O, is from dichloro-i-propyl ether and sodium sulfide.³⁴⁰ The tetramethyl derivative is formed by the addition of hydrogen sulfide to methallyl ether: 298

$$(\mathsf{H}_2\mathsf{C}:\mathsf{CMeCH}_2)_2\mathsf{O} \quad + \quad \mathsf{H}_2\mathsf{S} \qquad \rightarrow \qquad \mathsf{S}(\mathsf{CMe}_2\mathsf{CH}_2)_2\mathsf{O}$$

A similar addition takes place with diallyl amine:

$$(H_2C:CHCH_2)_2NH + H_2S \rightarrow S(CHM\bullet CH_2)_2NH$$

Thioxane takes up iodine, bromine, or ethyl iodide. The products are: I₂S(CH₂CH₂)₂O, m. 67°,²⁵⁵ Br₂S(CH₂CH₂)₂O, m. 85°,¹⁸² IEtS(CH₂CH₂)₂O, m. 85°,²⁵⁵ It can be oxidised to the sulfoxide, OS(CH₂CH₂)₂O, and sulfone, O₂S(CH₂CH₂)₂O. The sulfoxide reacts with hydriodic acid: ²⁵⁵

$$OS(CH_2CH_2)_2O + 2 HI \rightarrow I_2S(CH_2CH_2)_2O + H_2O$$

The mercuric chloride addition product melts at 174°. ¹⁸² Thioxane is oxidised to the sulfoxide by hydrogen peroxide at 70–100°. ⁶⁸² The sulfone is produced by the alkaline hydrolysis of the disulfone from dithiane. ⁶² It is formed also when 2-hydroxy-2'-ethoxy-diethyl sulfone is distilled: ⁸⁹¹

The sulfoxide and the sulfone are formed also by addition of water to vinyl sulfoxide and sulfone.⁶ Thioxane forms addition products with sulfur trioxide and with chlorosulfonic acid.⁵⁰³

The dipole moment of thioxane is 0.47.88 Its light absorption ²⁷¹, and Raman spectrum ^{227b}, ⁴⁵⁹ have been studied.

β-Hydroxyethylmercaptoacetic acid, HOCH₂CH₂SCH₂COOH, loses a molecule of water. The product, which is insoluble in acid and in alkali, may be the lactone or a linear polymer.⁵⁶⁸ 2-(2-Hydroxyethylmercapto) acetal, in the presence of acid, goes to 3-ethoxythioxane: ⁵¹⁷

This is an acetal and, in dilute hydrochloric acid solution, is in equilibrium with ethyl alcohol and the aldehyde, HOCH₂CH₂-SCH₂CHO, from which the usual aldehyde derivatives can be obtained. Methoxyl ^{518, 519} and butoxyl ⁵¹⁷ derivatives are similar, both as to methods of preparation and reactions. The 3,3-di-

methyl-5-ethoxy-517 and the 2,3-dimethyl-3-ethoxy-dithiox-anes 519 have been prepared similarly.

The 3,5-diethoxy derivative of thioxane is formed when the sulfide of acetal is treated with hydrogen chloride: 160

By dilute acid the same sulfide is converted into the 3,5-dihydroxy derivative which seems to be in equilibrium with the aldehyde sulfide:

$$S[CH_2CH(OH)]_2O \Rightarrow S(CH_2CHO)_2 + H_2O$$

The 3,5-dihydroxythioxane reacts with alcohol to give the 3,5-diethoxythioxane.

The 3,5-dicarboxylic acid is from the hydrolysis of the dinitrile which, in turn, is formed by the addition of hydrocyanic acid to the aldehyde.¹⁶⁴ The anhydride of thioglycollic acid may be considered to be 3,5-diketothioxane: ^{7.5}

Its 2,6-dimethyl- and 2,6-diethyl derivatives have been made.^{894.5}

1,4-THIOXENE

The story here runs parallel to that for 1,4-dithiene. The starting material is an alkoxythioxane, the preparation of which was described in the preceding section. Methanol is eliminated from 3-methoxythioxane by heating it with a catalytic amount of phosphorus pentoxide: ⁵¹⁸

1,4-Thioxene appears to be stable when kept free of peroxides. It polymerizes to a solid which melts over the range 200 to 220°. In the presence of an acid catalyst it takes up methanol to form

the methoxythioxane, reversing the above reaction.⁵¹⁸ A mixture of 2-methoxythioxane and the thioxene is obtained when the chloroacetal is heated with mercaptoethanol in carbon disulfide or without solvent. The same is true of the 2,5-dimethyl compounds.⁵¹⁹

Benzothioxene

Monothiocatechol and β-bromomercaptal react to give 3-ethoxy-benzothioxene. As this is an acetal the ethoxy group can be exchanged for another alkoxy or hydroxyl group by treating it with acid in an alcohol or in water. The hydroxy compound can be acetylated. The 3-ethoxy compound loses a molecule of alcohol to form benzothioxadiene when its vapor is passed over phosphorus pentoxide at 300°. 520

Benzo-1,4-thioxadiene

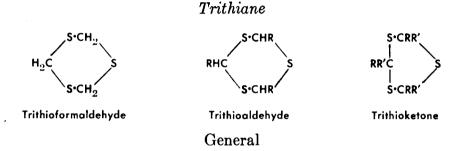
This is prepared by reactions analogous to those used for benzo-1,4-dithiadiene. The starting materials are diethyl bromoacetal and monothiocatechol. The elimination of the ethanol from the intermediate 2-ethoxy compound has proved to be more difficult than from the corresponding disulfur compound. Dehydration of the hydroxy and deacetylation of the acetyl derivative give benzo-1,4-thioxadiene identical with that from the 2-ethoxy. The addition of bromine to benzo-1,4-thioxadiene gives a stable dibromide, hydrolysis of which yields glyoxal. Formylation introduces the aldehyde group which indicates the aromatic character of the diene ring. Oxidation gave the sulfone of benzo-1,4-thioxadiene which was hydrogenated. This proved to be identical with the sulfone from benzo-1,4-thioxene prepared from monothiocatechol and ethylene bromide. 520

Rings Containing Three Sulfur Atoms

Two Carbon and Three Sulfur Atoms

By the auto-oxidation of thiobenzophenone a trisulfide having the composition $(Ph_2C)_2S_3$ has been obtained. This has been shown to have the structure I.^{141, 358, 602, 639} By a series of reactions, starting with methylisothiocyanate, a compound II has been prepared.^{241, 242}

THREE CARBON AND THREE SULFUR ATOMS



Trithioformaldehyde is trithiane; the trithioaldehydes and trithioketones are its symmetrical alkyl or aryl derivatives.

Trithiane is the product often isolated when reactions are carried out that should give monomeric thioformaldheyde:

Thioaldehydes and the simpler thioketones trimerize similarly at the moment of formation. The tendency to trimerize is far stronger with these sulfur compounds than with their oxygen analogs. In only a few cases, practically all of which are aromatic, can monomeric thioaldehydes or thioketones be isolated. Among the oxygen compounds only the lower aliphatic aldehydes trimerize readily; trimeric ketones are unknown. The true cyclic trioxymethylene, the analog of trithiane, can be made but formaldehyde usually appears as an amorphous linear polymer.

The preparation of trithiane is taken up in chapter 2 on Thials and Thiones.

Trithiane is an odorless solid, melting at 216°, only slightly soluble in hot water, more so in hot alcohol and ether. The trimeric formula, (H₂CS)₃, has been verified by vapor density

measurements and freezing point determinations on its solutions.^{59b} It is orthorhombic; the dimensions of the unit cell are 7.63, 7.00, and 5.25 Å.⁴⁷² The Raman spectrum ^{227b, 382} and ultraviolet absorption have been studied.¹⁹⁴ The dipole moment is 2.3, indicating a chain configuration or a mobile equilibrium in which this form predominates.¹³⁴ Trithiane has a staggered form. The S—C distance is 1.81 Å, the S—S 3.05 Å. The C—S—C angle is 114.5°, the S—C—S, 106.5°.³¹⁴

The trithiane obtained by early chemists,^{342, 414} in extremely small yield, by passing hydrogen sulfide over hot lead formate must have been impure. For that reason its properties are disregarded here.

According to the structural formulae at the top of this section, the cyclic trimers of the higher thioaldehydes and of unsymmetrical ketones should be capable of existing in cis and trans forms. With trithioformaldehyde and with compounds from symmetrical ketones there is not this possibility. The supposed isolation of an isomeric form melting at 247° led to the invention of a sulfur atom with two valence centers and to much controversy. 153a, 153b, 253, 254, 323a, 324a, 324b, 324c, 324d

The analogous selenium compound, (CH₂Se)₃, 1,3,5-triselenacyclohexane, is formed from formaldehyde and hydrogen selenide. Chlorination of this gives (ClCH₂)₂Se, ClCH₂SeCl, and (ClCH₂-Se)₂.¹¹¹

Oxidation of Trithiane

As each of the three sulfur atoms in trithiane can be oxidised in two steps a number of oxidation products are possible. 56a, 57, 144, 323a, 324a, 533 Its planar ring structure was beautifully demonstrated by the preparation of all of the possible sulfoxides. The oxidation of trithiane in acetone by hydrogen peroxide gave a monosulfoxide, m. 187°. Further oxidation produced a mixture of two disulfoxides, A and B, having quite different solubilities. According to theory there should be two disulfoxides, a cis and a trans, which should differ in solubilities. Further oxidation of A gave two trisulfoxides. From this it was concluded that A is the cis form. Starting with the two oxygens on the same side of the plane of the ring, the addition of a third oxygen should give two trisulfoxides, the one having all of the three oxygens on the same side of the plane and the other, a cis-trans, having the third

oxygen on the other side. The form B which was assumed to be trans should give only one trisulfoxide, identical with one of those from A. This was found to be the case. The final oxidation product of all of these is the trisulfone.

Oxidation by permanganate may lead to the sulfonic acid salts, $S(CH_2SO_3K)_2$, $O_2S(CH_2SO_3K)_2$ and $H_2C(SO_3K)_2$.³⁴⁵

The trisulfone is extremely stable and sublimes without melting. It is acidic enough to form salts, $C_3S_3O_6H_5Na\cdot H_2O$, $(C_3S_3-O_6H_5)_2Ba\cdot 4H_2O$. If it is dissolved in excess of 10% sodium hydroxide, plus an equal volume of alcohol, and an excess of methyl iodide is added the liquid will be filled the next day with inch long needles of the hexamethyl derivative, m. 302°, identical with the trisulfone from trithioacetone.^{57, 144} With ethyl iodide the reaction is slower and incomplete.¹⁴⁴

Bromination gives two products: 56a, 533

Addition Compounds with Metal Salts

A characteristic reaction of alkyl sulfides is the formation of complexes with metal salts, R₂S·HgCl₂, etc. These complexes contain one, or sometimes two, molecules of the mercury salt for each sulfur atom. The same can be said of the complexes with other heavy metal salts, such as platinum and gold. It is curious that trithiane, which is a triple sulfide, combines with only one molecule of a metal salt as in C₃H₆S₃·AgNO₃ and C₃H₆S₃·PtCl₄. This fact was used by early investigators to prove the trimeric formulae for thioformaldehyde and thioacetaldehyde.^{272, 327c, 327d, 374c, 446a} Trithioformaldehyde forms complexes also with aluminum salts.^{403a} Its compound with perchloric acid, (C₃H₆S₃)₃·-(HClO₄)₂, acts like a true salt.^{324c}

Other Reactions

Chlorine converts trithiane to ClCH₂SCHCl₂,²⁷³ or to ClCH₂-SO₂Cl,^{111.3}, ³⁸⁵, ^{403b} according to conditions. Chlorination in cold carbon tetrachloride gives chloromethanesulfenyl chloride which is taken up in chapter 3, Volume I.²⁰¹ The same is true of the substituted trithianes.²⁰⁰ Chlorination of trithianes forming substituted sulfides is in chapter 5, Volume II.

The cautious addition of sulfur monochloride to cold trithioformaldehyde gives dichlorodimethyl sulfide, ClCH₂SCH₂Cl.⁸⁶, 441b

When trithiane and dimethyl sulfate are heated on the water bath for several hours and potassium iodide is added the monomethiodide is obtained. The ethiodide is made similarly.^{403a} When it is heated to 100° in a sealed tube with methyl iodide and methanol it undergoes complete cleavage: ⁵⁶⁹

$$(\mathrm{CH_2S})_3 \ + \ 3 \ \mathrm{Mel} \ + \ 12 \ \mathrm{MeOH} \quad \rightarrow \quad 3 \ \mathrm{Me_3SI} \ + \ 3 \ \mathrm{H_2C(OMe)_2} \ + \ 6 \ \mathrm{H_2O}$$

Useful products resulting from the condensation of thioformaldehyde with urea have been claimed.^{217, 447, 448, 535} Trithioformaldehyde is useful in tanning ⁴⁷¹ and in flotation.⁴⁰⁰ Hydrogen sulfide may be reacted with an excess of formaldehyde and the product condensed with phenol and urea or other nitrogen compounds.²¹⁸

Trithioacetal dehyde

The preparation of trimethyltrithiane, or trithioacetaldehyde, will be given in chapter 2 on Thials and Thiones. Here it will be considered as a cyclic sulfide in relation to other cyclic sulfides.

The cyclic formula for trithioacetaldehyde accounts for cis and trans forms. The crude product has been found to be a mixture of two substances having the same composition but differing in melting points a 101°, \$ 125°, and in other characteristics. 56b, 59a, 59b, 153a, 246a, 374a, 374c, 374d, 655, 706 The α -form is monoclinic and the β -orthorhombic.⁶⁷ The molecular weights of both correspond to the trimeric formula.^{59b} The densities are α-d 20/4 1.178, β-d 20/4 1.150.21 Infrared absorption spectra indicate that paraldehyde and the two forms of trithioacetaldehyde have the same ring structure 266 which is of the symmetrical staggered, cyclohexane type. The C-S-C angle is 106.5° and the S-C-S angle 114.5°. 313 The cis structure has been assigned to the α-form. m. 101°, and the trans to the β-form, m. 125°, 59a though the Raman spectra seem to show that it should be the other way.265 It has been found that the one can be converted to the other by certain catalysts.312, 374a, 374c, 374d, 441b, 441c, 446c, 655 To explain isomerism it has been suggested that the three sulfur and the three carbon atoms may not lie in a plane. 138, 595b The configurations of the two forms have been studied.312

A third, or γ-form of trithioacetaldehyde, melting at 76° or 81°, and not accounted for by theory, plagued chemists for 40 years, ^{58b}, ^{59d}, ²⁰³, ^{441b}, ^{441c}, ^{446c}, ⁵³⁷ until it was shown to be a mixture of the two other forms. ^{58b}, ^{59d}, ⁶⁷, ²⁴⁸

Trithioacetaldehyde forms an addition product with silver nitrate. 689

Oxidation of trithioacetaldehyde gives a variety of products, $C_6H_{12}S_3O$, $C_6H_{12}S_3O_2$, $C_6H_{12}S_3O_3$, $C_6H_{12}S_3O_4$, $C_6H_{12}S_3O_5$, and C₆H₁₂S₃O₆ according to the reagents used and the conditions. ^{56b}, ^{248, 286a, 286e} The disulfoxide melts at 255° with decomposition, ²⁴⁸ the α trisulfoxide m. 184°, and the β -isomer at 153°. 248 Both α and β-modifications of trithioacetaldehyde give the same disulfone-sulfide, m. 284°.56b With permanganate, the sulfonic acid salt, CH₃CH(SO₃K)₂, is obtained.^{286a, 286e} Oxidation of the β-form by hydrogen peroxide gives a mono-sulfoxide, m. 118.5°, with permanganate, a mono-sulfone, m. 190°. Oxidation of the α-form leads to two mono-sulfoxides, α-m. 136° and β-m. 93°, and then to two mono-sulfones melting at 157.5° and 116°. From this it has been concluded that the a-form has the trans configuration and the β-form the cis. 153a Alkylation of the trisulfone with methyl iodide and alkali gives triacetone sulfone. 58b, 420 The trisulfone is sufficiently acidic to form stable sodium, potassium, barium, strontium, and silver salts. 420

Trithioacetaldehyde is desulfurized by copper to butene-2.²¹⁰ Electrolysis in hydrochloric acid solution leads to (CH₃CClS)₃.²²⁹ Chlorination gives the chlorosulfone chloride, CH₃CHClSO₂Cl.⁴⁹⁹ At low temperature the sulfenyl chloride, CH₃CHClSCl, is formed.²⁰⁰

On long standing with methyl iodide trimethyl sulfonium iodide was produced and with ethyl iodide, triethyl sulfonium iodide.⁵³⁶ Trimethyl sulfonium iodide decomposes at 215° without melting.^{374b} Heating trithioacetaldehyde in a sealed tube with hydriodic acid gives ethyl disulfide.⁹⁵ If an alcoholic solution of trithioacetaldehyde is added to a fermenting aqueous sugar solution ethyl mercaptan is formed.^{507, 508}

Other Trithioaldehydes

Chloral reacts normally giving *tris*-trichlormethyl trithiane. ^{153c} Trithiopropionaldehyde, ^{200, 203} trithio-*i*-butyraldehyde, ²⁰³ and tri-

thiovaleral dehyde 200 have been prepared but little is known about them.

Thioaldehydes are said to be useful in flotation. 400, 580

Tetraethenyl hexasulfide, (MeC)₄S₆, has been known for some time but its structure has been determined only recently. It consists of four trithiane rings in which each sulfur atom is common to two rings. Its structure is analogous to that of hexamethylenetetramine.^{96, 145, 239d, 251} It is one of the products from acetyl chloride and hydrogen sulfide in a sealed tube. Its molecular weight was found to be around 270 instead of the calculated 296.⁹⁹ It is orthorhombic and crystallizes from acetic acid as six-fold twins.¹⁹⁶

Aromatic Trithioaldehydes

Trithiobenzaldehyde, which may be called s-triphenyl-trithiane, is readily prepared from benzaldehyde, hydrochloric acid, and hydrogen sulfide. Ammonium sulfide was used with benzaldehyde in an old preparation.³⁹⁷ Several have made it from benzal chloride and alkali sulfide.^{63, 132a, 252} Its preparation will be discussed more fully in chapter 2 on Thials and Thiones.

Two forms are known, α- and β-, melting at 167° and 226°, respectively. A supposed third form bothered chemists for a time but was shown to be a mixture of the other two.^{58b, 655} This was rediscovered later ^{323b} but was again discredited.²⁵³ Molecular weight determinations show that both forms have the molecular weight corresponding to the trimer, (PhCHS)₃.^{59b} The dipole moments of the two forms are almost identical, 2.09 and 2.08. These do not agree with the values calculated for the boat and chair forms.³¹⁹

Trithiobenzaldehyde has been oxidised to the trisulfoxide and trisulfone. The latter can be alkylated with methyl iodide and alkali but only two methyl groups can be introduced. This has been attributed to steric hindrance.²⁵³ Chlorination at low temperature gives the sulfenyl chloride, PhCHClSCl.²⁰⁰ Trithiobenzaldehyde is desulfurized to stilbene by copper powder.^{374a, 374b} It has been used with thiourea for making plastics.⁵³⁵

o-Trihydroxytrithiobenzaldehyde has been prepared by the hydrogen sulfide-hydrogen chloride method. A chlorine derivative has been claimed as a fungicide. Trithiophenylacetaldehyde, (PhCH₂CHS)₃, has been prepared by the same method. 199

Trithioketones

Trithioacetone, Hexamethyltrithiane

Acetone and hydrogen sulfide react, in the presence of hydrochloric acid, to give trithioacetone:

$$3 \text{ Me}_2\text{CO} + 3 \text{ H}_2\text{S} \rightarrow (\text{Me}_2\text{CS})_3 + 3 \text{ H}_2\text{O}$$

Only the trimeric form can be isolated but enough of the monomer escapes in the preparation to cause trouble with the odor which is said to surpass all others in intensity.^{58a} The molecular weight corresponds to the trimer. It is formed also in the thermal decomposition of the mercaptole from acetone, Me₂C(SEt)₂, and of the thioacetic acid mercaptole, Me₂C-(SCOMe)₂.^{635a} It has been prepared from acetone by treating it with carbon disulfide and zinc chloride ⁸⁹ or with magnesium bromsulfhydrate, Br·MgSH.⁴⁶⁹

Theory calls for but one form, and only one has been found.²⁵³ Trithioacetone can be oxidised to a disulfone, m. 208°,^{58a} or a trisulfone, m. 302°.^{58a, 469} Chlorination at a low temperature gives gives the sulfenyl chloride, Me₂ClCSCl.²⁰⁰

Trithioacetone has been claimed as an aid to flotation,¹⁷⁷ and as an oil additive.^{415a}

Trimeric thioketones have been prepared from methyl ethyl ketone, ¹¹² cyclopentanone, cyclohexanone, ^{246b} indanone-1, 3-methylindanone-1, tetralone-1, and 3-methyl tetralone-1. ¹⁴⁰ The trithioketones from methyl ethyl and diethyl ketones and from cyclohexanone have been claimed as constituents of an ointment. ⁴¹²

Trithioacetophenone

This is the only one of the alkyl-aryl thiones that has received much attention. When hydrogen sulfide and hydrogen chloride are passed into a cold alcoholic solution of acetophenone, the blue monomeric thioacetophenone is formed. This soon changes to the colorless trimer, melting at 122°. This is believed to be the β-isomer. There should be an alpha isomer but it has not been isolated.^{58c, 199} Low temperature chlorination gives the sulfenyl chloride, PhMeClCSCl.²⁰⁰

Thialdines

Thialdine is intermediate between trithioacetaldehyde and trimethyltrimethylene-triamine:

Early investigators worked with acetaldehyde and gave the class name to the compound derived from it. The simpler compound, without the methyl groups, has to take the longer name thioformaldin to show that it is from formaldheyde.

Thioformaldin

Thioformaldin is obtained, along with trithioformaldehyde and other products by treating formalin with hydrogen sulfide and ammonia. It is purified by long extraction with carbon disulfide. It cannot be purified by recrystallization since it is only slightly soluble in solvents and is decomposed by heating to 70°. It melts somewhere between 150° and 200°. On account of the lack of any way to assure its purity or to characterize it, its identity is doubtful. Analyses of different preparations show considerable variations. However, all the evidence points to the existence of a compound of the structure proposed even if it has never been obtained entirely free from impurities.^{405, 411, 439}

The product from formaldehyde, hydrogen sulfide, and methyl amine is N-methylthioformaldin. 404, 707 The same product is obtained from trimethyltrimethylene-triamine and hydrogen sulfide. 186a, 186c, 186d, 280

Thioformaldin, or a product obtained by adding sulfur to it, is claimed as an addition agent for rubber.⁶⁶¹ The N-methyl derivative has been proposed as a pest control agent.⁶¹²

Cyclohexylamine, formaldehyde, and hydrogen sulfide give 3-cyclohexyl-1,3-thiazetidine, $C_6H_{11}N(CH_2)_2S$, m. 120°, or 5-cyclohexyl-5,6-dihydro-,1,3,5-dithiazine, $C_6H_{11}N(CH_2S)_2CH_2$, m. 58°. 104

Thialdine

When hydrogen sulfide is passed into an aqueous solution of acetaldehyde and ammonia, thialdine, m. 43°, d₁₈ 1.191⁷⁰⁵ is obtained. It vaporizes at room temperature leaving no residue. 59d, 124, 286a, 286b, 286c, 446a, 689, 705 The crystal form 549 and heat of combustion 187a of thialdine have been determined. The N-methyl 233, 404, 446b and N-ethyl 233, 404 derivatives are obtained when these amines are substituted for the ammonia. Thialdine forms salts with acids 59d, 124, 446a, 705 and gives precipitates with silver, mercury, 286c, 705 copper, 286c lead, 286c, 705 and ferric ions. 286c N-Ethylthialdine gives precipitates with platinum salts.²³³ Thialdine combines with methyl and ethyl iodides. The products appear to be quaternary ammonium iodides.327a It is oxidised to a disulfonic acid, CH₃CH(SO₃H)₂, by permanganate.^{286a, 286b, 286c}, ^{286d, 581b} It is decomposed by sulfuric acid into ammonia and α-trithioacetaldehyde.²¹⁴ By heating with silver oxide it was supposed to be converted to leucine.²⁷⁵ but this has been disproved.^{327a} Thialdine has been used in fermentation experiments as a soluble form of trithioacetaldhevde. 507

Homologs of thialdine have been prepared from *i*-valeraldehyde, ^{64, 526, 581a, 608} heptaldehyde, and acrolein. ^{581a} Oil of rue which is methyl nonyl ketone, ammonia, and hydrogen sulfide give a crystalline compound supposed to belong to this class. ⁶⁸⁸ Thialdine-like compounds were obtained from ammonium sulfide and acetone. ^{581a, 730}

A seleno-thialdine has been prepared.705

Carbothialdine

Aldehyde ammonia and carbon disulfide, in alcohol solution, give carbothialdine (I).⁵⁵⁶ Acetaldehyde with ammonium dithiocarbamate, NH₂CS·SNH₄, or with thiourea gives the same compound, having the composition C₅H₁₀N₂S₂.^{286c, 501} An isomer of this (II) results from the reaction of carbon disulfide with trimethyltrimethylene-triamine.^{186a, 186c, 186d} The same compound has been made from methylammonium methyldithiocarbamate.⁸⁷ There has been much discussion as to the structures of these, but they seem to be cleared up by a recent investigation.³ The formulae assigned I is 2-thio-4,6-dimethyl-tetrahydro-1,3,5-thiadiazine and II is the 3,5-dimethyl-:

Carbothialdine in aqueous solution gives precipitates with silver ^{286c, 556} and lead ions.^{286c} It is decomposed by heating with water ^{161a, 556} and is oxidised in hydrochloric acid solution to carbamine disulfide, (NH₂CSS)₂.^{286a, 286c}

i-Butyraldehyde,⁵³⁴ *i*-valeraldehyde,^{286e, 501, 608} and benzaldehyde ⁵⁰¹ have been converted into carbothialdines by ammonia and carbon disulfide. The 3-phenyl-5-methyl- and several other analogs of II have been prepared.³

A compound which seems to belong to this class was obtained from triacetonediamine but was not well characterized.³²⁰

FOUR CARBON AND THREE SULFUR ATOMS

This compound, 1,2,5-trithiacycloheptane, is one of the products obtained from ethylene and sulfur at elevated temperatures.⁶⁹⁷ It is formed by the oxidation of the sulfide-mercaptan. Its chemistry has not been developed. A compound of the same composition, but evidently a polymer, was prepared from mustard gas and alcoholic sodium sulfide.²⁵⁰

The analogous ether-disulfide,

has been isolated recently by the depolymerization of the polymeric disulfide, (•SCH₂CH₂OCH₂CH₂CH₂S•)_n. This was accomplished by the slow steam-distillation of the finely divided polymer.^{183, 184} The properties of the monomer are b₃ 55–6°; ² d 20/4 1.2737; n 20/D 1.5823; molecular weight 137, calc. 136.¹⁸⁴ It polymerizes readily and copolymerizes with vinyl acetate ⁶⁵⁰ and with styrene.⁶⁶⁸ A corresponding aromatic compound is obtained by steam distilling the tarry product formed when *ortho*-amino-diphenyldisulfide is diazotized.^{288,5}

Physical Properties of Some Cyclic Sulfides

ETHYLENE epi-Sulfide and Derivatives

$$H_2C \xrightarrow{S} CH_2$$

Ethylene sulfide, b. $53.5-50^{\circ}$, 110 $55-6^{\circ}$, 186b , 187c , 189 , 327b $54-7^{\circ}$, 356 55° , 713 56° , 510c 55.7° ; 402 d 0/4 1.035, 189 1.0368, 187c d 15/4 1.0171, 186b d 20/4 1.0046; 287 n 18/D 1.491, 189 1.4914, 187c n 19/D 1.49001, 186b n 20/D 1.4914.

- 2-Methyl-, b. 76°, 718 75-7°, 189 75-6°, 174 72-5°, 97 73-4°; 451.5 d 0/4 0.964, d 18/4 0.946; n 19/D 1.473, 189 n 15/D 1.4780. 174
- 2-Ethyl-, b. 104,⁷¹⁸ 104-5°; d 0/4 0.944, d 18/4 0.930; n 19/D 1.475.¹⁸⁹
- 2,2-Dimethyl-, b. 87°,¹⁷⁴ 84-6°; ^{631a} n 17/D 1.4661,¹⁷⁴ n 20/D 1.4641.^{631a}

Trimethyl-, b. 145-50°; d 0/4 0.927.135

Tetramethyl-, m. 76.6°; b. 127°.713

Phenyl-, b_{0.01} 25-8°; d 25/4 1.1044; n 20/D 1.6015.292

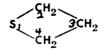
Tetraphenyl-, m. 179°.595a

Tetra-p-tolyl-, m. 195°.595a

Tetra-p-methoxyphenyl-, m. 210°, 595a, 601 205°.600

- 2-Vinyl-, b. 103-4°.173
- 2-Chloromethyl-, b_{760} 138–9°, 174 b_6 94–6°, 347b b_{114} 79–81°; n 20/D 1.5780. 174
- 2-Mercaptomethyl-, b_{10} 54–6°,623 b_{30} 77°; 399, 623 d 20/4 1.1741.623 Cyclopentene sulfide, b_{65} 69–70°; n 25/D 1.5222.675a
- Cyclohexene sulfide, b. 180° , 356 b₁₅ $56-7^{\circ}$, 618 b₁₆ $67-8^{\circ}$, 174 b₁₂ $60-1.5^{\circ}$, b₂₁ $71.5-3.5^{\circ}$, 675a b₄₆ $83-7^{\circ}$, 631a b₃₅ $77-9^{\circ}$; 97 d 25/4 0.9274, 356 d₂₅ 1.068; 494 n 20/D 1.5309, 174 1.5292, 631a n 25/D 1.5311, 675a 1.5317, 494 1.4881. 356
- 3-Methylcyclohexene sulfide, b₂₅ 85–6°; n 23/D 1.5097.¹⁷³ Cyclohexylidene methylene episulfide, d₂₅ 1.065; n 25/D 1.5310.⁴⁹⁴

TRIMETHYLENE SULFIDE AND DERIVATIVES



Trimethylene sulfide, $CH_2(CH_2)_2S$, m. -73.25° ; $^{295.7, 610}$ b. 94.97° , 610 95°, $^{295.7}$ 94°, $^{189, 713}$ 93–5°, 189 b₇₅₂ 93.8–4.2°; 282a d 0/4

 $1.051,^{189}$ d 20/4 $1.0200,^{295.7}$ d 23/4 $1.0284,^{282a}$ d 25/4 1.01472, d 30/4 $1.00957;^{295.7}$ n 23/D $1.506,^{189}$ $1.5059;^{282a}$ surface tension 36.3 at 20° , 35.6 at 25° , 35.0 at 30° ; viscosity 0.638 at 20° , 0.607 at 25° , 0.576 at 30° ; $^{295.7}$ heat of vaporization at 0° 8560 cal./mole; heat of fusion 1971.4 cal./mole; other thermodynamic properties; 610 sulfone, m. $76^{\circ}.^{282a}$

- 2-Methyl-, b. 106° , ¹⁸⁹ b₇₄₇ 105.5– 7.5° , ^{282a} 107° ; ⁷¹³ d 0/4 0.977, ¹⁸⁹ d 20/4 0.9571; ^{282a} n 20/d 1.4830, ¹⁸⁹ 1.4831; sulfone, b. 251– 3.5° ; d 16.5/4 1.2174; n 16.5/D 1.4700. ^{282a}
- 2,4-Dimethyl-, b_{757} 112.5–3.5°; d 18/4 0.8710; n 18/D 1.4502; sulfone, b. 255–255.5°; d 17.6/4 1.1589; n 17.5/D 1.4653.^{282a}
- 3,3-Dimethyl-, b. 120°; n 18/D 1.4739, n 35/D 1.4640; HgCl₂ m. 118°; sulfone, m. 55°; HgCl₂ m. 127°. 30b
- 3-Hydroxy-, b_{1.3} 57°; d 20/4 1.2130; n 20/D 1.5433.624a
- 3,3-Dihydroxymethyl-, m. 74°.84

TETRAMETHYLENE SULFIDE (THIOLANE, THIOPHANE) AND DERIVATIVES

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Thiophane, m. -96.17° , 339 -96.16° , $^{295.7}$ -96.06° ; b. 121.2° , 699 120.9° , $^{295.7}$ 120.8° , 195 120° , 7 $119-20^{\circ}$, 659 119° , 101c , 108 , 713 $118-9^{\circ}$, 282b 118° , 189 $116-22^{\circ}$; 728 d 20/4 0.99869, $^{295.7}$ 0.9998, d 25/4 0.9947, 699 0.99379, $^{295.7}$ d 18/4 0.9607; 282b n 18/D 1.487, 189 1.4871, 282b n 21/D 1.5037, 659 n 20/D 1.5047, n 25/D 1.5022; $HgCl_2$ m. 128° , 699 125.5° , 282b 125° ; 728 surface tension 35.8 at 20° , 35.0 at 25° , 34.6 at 30° ; viscosity 1.042 at 20° , 0.971 at 25° , 0.914 at 30° ; $^{295.7}$ heat of fusion 1757 cal./mole, other thermodynamic properties; 339 sulfoxide, 12 $^{105-7^{\circ}}$; n $^{25}/D$ $^{1.5198}$; 659 sulfone, m. $^{28.36^{\circ}}$, 699 $^{29^{\circ}}$, 346b $^{25^{\circ}}$, 490b $^{21^{\circ}}$, 27 $^{20^{\circ}}$, 731 $^{10^{\circ}}$; 282b $^{18^{\circ}}$, 490b 11 $^{141-2^{\circ}}$, 346b 15 , $^{149.5-50^{\circ}}$, 27 18 , $^{153-4^{\circ}}$, 282b , 731 15 , 143 , $^{285-8^{\circ}}$; 282b d $^{18.2/4}$, $^{1.2723}$; n $^{18.2/D}$. $^{1.4833}$, 282b

- 2-Carboxy-, m. 53°; amide, m. 132°.548
- 2,3-Dicarboxy-, dihydrazide, m. 209°. 120
- 2,5-Dicarboxy-, m. 136°; ⁶⁷² DL trans, m. 166°; D and L, m. 180°; meso (cis), m. 145°; ^{238c} diEt ester, b_{0.5} 100°; n. 26/D 1.4808; diamide, m. 181°; ⁶⁷² imide, m. 156°; monoanilide, m. 140°; N-benzylimide, m. 114°; ^{333.5} anhydride, m. 142°, ⁶⁷² cis, m. 150°. ^{333.5}

- 3,4-Dicarboxy-, trans, m. 125°; cis, m. 158°; 38 anhydride, m. 135°. 119
- 2-δ-Carboxybutyl-3,4-dicarboxy-, m. 105–10°.38
- 3,3,4,4-Tetracarbethoxy-, b₈ 192-200°.³⁷¹
- 3,4-Dihydroxy-, m. 54-8°.371
- 3,4-Diethoxy-, m. 53°.528
- 2-Hydroxy-3-bromo-, sulfone, m. 191°; Ac., m. 120°.32
- 2-(4-carbomethoxybutyl)-, HgCl₂, m. 86°.497
- 2-Aminomethyl-, b₁₀ 69.5°; d 15/4 1.0920; n 15/D 1.5399.548
- 2,3-(-NHCO₂Et)₂, m. 152-4°. 120
- 3,4-Diamino-, 1st form, m. 40°; diAc., m. 260-5°; diBz., m. 295-300°.371 2nd form, diAc., m. 175°; diBz., m. 239°.372 3rd form, diAc., m. 208°; diBz., m. 269°.372
- 3,4-Dichloro-, m. 61°.371
- 2,3,4,5-Tetrachloro-, α -isomer, m. 113.5; ^{129b}, ¹⁶⁷ b₃₋₄ 111.5°; ^{129b} β -isomer, m. 46°; ¹⁶⁷, ¹⁶⁸ b₅ 110-8°; n 50/D 1.5688. ¹⁶⁸
- 2,2,3,4,5-Pentachloro-, m. 32°; n 35/D 1.5755.167
- 2,2,3,4,5,5-Hexachloro-, m. 46°; b₁ 100-5°; n 50/D 1.5590.¹⁶⁷ Octachloro-, m. 222.5°. ¹⁶⁸
- 3,4-Dibromo-, b₃ 83-9°; ³⁷¹ sulfone, m. 141°. ³²
- 3-Mercapto-, b₃₀ 95°; n 20/D 1.5780.468
- 3,4-Dimercapto-, sulfone, m. 128°; Ac., m. 156°. 529
- 2-Ethylmercapto-, b_2 83°; n 20/D 1.5485.82b
- 2-Propylmercapto-, $b_{2.5}$ 95°; n 20/D 1. 5350.82b
- 2-t-Butylmercapto-, b₂ 90°; n 20/D 1.5350.82b
- 2-Phenylmercapto-, b_1 130–5°.82b
- 2-Benzylmercapto-, $b_{2.5}$ 162°; n 20/D 1.61.82b
- 2-Cyclohexylmercapto-, b₃ 144-8°; n 20/D 1.5580.82b
- 3-Ethylmercapto-, b_2 76–81°; n 20/D 1.5500.82b
- 3-Propylmercapto-, b₂ 85–90°; n 20/D 1.5410.82b
- 3-Phenylmercapto-, $b_{2.5}$ 140–5°; n 20/D 1.6250.82b
- 3-Benzylmercapto-, b_3 160–5°; n 20/D 1.605.82b
- 3,3-Diethylmercapto-, $b_{2.5}$ 112-4°, 52 b_{12} 154°; 363 n 25/D 1.5669; 52 disulfone, m. 197°; 363 trisulfone, m. 193.5°. 52
- 2-Keto-, (thiobuty rolactone), b₃ 55–6°; 830 b₂₀ 90–2°, ³⁷ b₅₂ 110.5°; d 20/4 1.1635, 728 1.1778; n 20/D 1.5242, 330 1.5189. 728
- 2,5-Diketo-, m. 31°.15a, 694
- 3,4-Dithiono-, b₂ 120-5°, 129a 121-3°; d 25/4 1.441. 115
- 2-Methyl-, m. -100.71° ; b. 132.4° ,699 133° ,7 134° ,106b b_{750} 132° ,408 $132.5-2.6^{\circ}$; 282b d 20/4 0.960,408 0.9552, d 25/4 0.9512,699 d 18/4

- 0.9564; n 15/D 1.4886, 282b n 20/D 1.4920, 408 1.4909, n 25/D 1.4884; 699 2 HgCl₂, m. 162°; 699 sulfone, m. -22°; 699 b₇₅₈ 279–80°; d 14/4 1.207; n 14/D 1.4801, 282b n 20/D 1.4810. 699
- 3-Methyl-, m. -81.16° ; b. 138.2° , 699 138° , 7 b₇₄₀ $137.5-8.5^{\circ}$; d 18.5/4~0.9596, 282b d 20/4~0.9634, d 25/4~0.9585; n 20/4~1.4924, n 25/D~1.4902, 699 n 18.5/D~1.4886; HgCl₂, m. 83° , 282b 109.5° ; 699 sulfone, m. 1° , 27 0.5° ; n 20/D~1.4770. 699
- 2-Methyl-5-keto-, (γ-thiovalerolactone) b. 214-6°, b₈ 85-6°; d 20/4 1.0975; n 20/D 1.5028.⁵⁸³
- 2-Methyl-3-hydroxy-3-carbamyl-4-carbethoxy, m. 157°.590
- 3-Methyl-3-bromo-, b₁₁ 75°.³⁶³
- 3-Methyl-3-hydroxy-, m. 46°; b₁₀ 65-70°.363
- 3-Methyl-3,4-dichloro-, b₃ 68-70°; HgCl₂, m. 158°; sulfone, m. 145.5°.38b
- 3-Methyl-heptachloro-, m. 218.5°.642
- 3-Methyl-2,3,4,5-tetrachloro-2-carbomethoxy-, m. 53.5°.642.5
- 2,2-Dimethyl-5-keto-4-carboxy-, m. 91°.629
- 2,4-Dimethyl-, b₇₄₂ 197–8°; d 20/4 0.9265; n 20/D 1.4818; HgCl₂, m. 89°; ⁷¹⁷ sulfone, b₅ 123.3°; d 20/4 1.1362; n 25/D 1.4733.⁴⁸⁶
- 2,5-Dimethyl-, b₇₅₆ 142-2.2°,^{282b} 142°,⁷¹³ 141°;⁷²⁷ d 0/4 0.9391,^{282b} d 20/4 0.9220,⁷²⁷ d 21.5/4 0.9175, d 100/4 0.8415;^{282b} n 20/D 1.4822,⁷²⁷ n 21.5/D 1.4752;^{282b} sulfone, b₇₄₉ 277.5-8°; d 18/4 1.1532; n 18/D 1.4772;^{282b} cis-, m. -89.4°; b₄₅ 60.0°; d 20/4 0.9222, d 25/4 0.9177; n 20/D 1.4799, n 25/D 1.4774; 2 HgCl₂ m. 180°; sulfone, m. -4.0°; n 20/D 1.4761; ⁶⁹⁹ trans-, m. -76.35°; b₄₄ 58.0°; d 20/4 0.9188, d 25/4 0.9142; n 20/D 1.4776, n 25/D 1.4752; HgCl₂, m. 111°, ⁶⁹⁹ 110°; ^{282b} sulfone, m. 3°; n 20/D 1.4760.⁶⁹⁹
- 3,4-Dimethyl-, sulfone, m. 51°; b. 260-5°, b₁₅ 136-7°.27
- 3,4-Dimethyl-3,4-dichloro-, m. 174°; sulfone, m. 265°.33b
- 2,3,4,5-Tetramethyl-, sulfone, b₂ 117°, b₁₄ 152–4°. 27
- 2-Ethyl-, b. 136–9°, 139 b₇₄₂ 155.5–6.5°; d 20/4 0.9451; n 20/D 1.4896, 716 1.4871; HgCl₂, m. 100°, 2 HgCl₂, m. 210°. 189
- 2-Ethyl-5-Methyl-, 2 HgCl₂, m. 146–8°. 139
- 3-Ethynyl-3-hydroxy-, m. 45°.363
- 2-Propyl-3,4-dicarboxy-, trans, m. 157°.38
- 2,5-Dipropyl-, b₁ 74-5°; d 20/4 0.8958; n 20/D 1.4795; sulfone, b₁ 123-5°; d 20/4 1.048; n 20/D 1.4719.452
- 3,4-Dipropyl-, b₁ 65-6°; d 20/4 0.9111; n 20/D 1.4830; sulfone, m. 59.5°. 452

- 2-(γ-Phenoxypropyl)-3-benzamido-4-carbethoxy-, m. 99°. 156
- 2-(γ-Phenoxypropyl)-3,4-dicarboxy-, trans, m. 183.88
- 2-(γ-Benzyloxypropyl)-3-benzamido-4-carbethoxy-, m. 66°. 156
- 2-Butyl-, HgCl₂, m. 101°. 189
- 2-t-Butyl-, b. 186-7°; n 20/D 1.4850.315
- 3-Hydroxy-3-carboxydiphenylmethyl-, m. 91°.85
- 3-Phenyl-3-hydroxy-, $b_{0.025}$ 85–90°. 363
- 2-Phenyl-3-carbethoxy-4-cyano-4-hydroxy-, m. 124.5°.654
- 2-Benzyl-, m. 51°; HgCl₂ m. 175°. 139

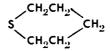
THIOPHANONE-3 AND DERIVATIVES



- 3-Thiophanone, b_7 58.2–8.4°,⁷¹² b_{15} 74.5°,⁶⁶⁴ b_{24} 84–5°,³⁶⁴ b_{29} 83.5°,¹²⁵ b. 175°; ³²⁶ oxime, m. 36°; ³⁶³ semicarbazone, m. 192°,³²⁶, ³⁵⁹, ³⁶⁴ 196°,¹²⁵
- 2-Methyl-, b₁₁ 90-100°, ³⁶⁴ b₁₃ 67°, ⁵⁷⁵ b₂₈ 82°; ¹²⁵ semicarbazone, m. 193.5°, ³⁶⁴ 186°. ¹²⁵
- 2-Tetradecyl-, m. 45.5°; b_{0.03} 138-45°; semicarbazone, m. 158°. 585
- **2-δ-Methoxybutyl-,** $b_{0.05}$ 102–3°. 364
- 2-γ-Phenoxypropyl-, m. 43°. 155
- 2- δ -Methoxybutyl-4-carbethoxy, $b_{0.001}$ 115°.364
- 2-Methyl-4-carbethoxy-, b₁₁ 123–30°, ³⁶⁴ b_{4.5} 93–5°, ¹²⁵ b₁₃ 124°. ⁵⁷⁵
- 4-Methyl-, b₁₁ 80-90°, ³⁶⁴ b₁₈ 77-8°; semicarbazone, m. 199°. ^{395c}
- 4-Methyl-2-carbethoxy-, b₁₈ 128-31°.895c
- 4-Ethyl-, b₂₁ 85°.²⁶⁸
- 4-Ethyl-2-carbethoxy-, b_{15.5} 132-4°. ²⁶⁸
- 5-Methyl-, b_{12} 60–70°, 23 b_{17} 77°; 396 semicarbazone, m. 185°, 396 174°.
- 5-Methyl-2-carbethoxy-, b₁₇ 134-7°. 396
- 5-Ethyl-, b₁₂ 72-3°.23
- 5-Phenyl-, m. 55°; semicarbazone, m. 206°.654
- 5-Phenyl-4-carbethoxy-, m. 77°.654
- 2-Carbomethoxy-, b₉ 116-6.5°; semicarbazone, m. 187.5°.712
- 2-Carbethoxy-, b₂ 104-110°, 480 b₁₁ 123-6°. 326
- 4-Carbomethoxy-, m. 38°; b₂₀ 128.5–9.5°,⁷¹² 128.5°; ⁶⁶⁴ semicarbazone, m. 190°.⁷¹²
- 4-Carbethoxy-, b₁ 90-3°, 119 b₄ 96°, 125 b₁₁ 124-9°; 364 phenylhydrazone, m. 101°; 125 semicarbazone, m. 173°. 119

- $2-\beta$ -Carbethoxyethyl-, m. 51°; $b_{0.03}$ 132–5°.361
- 2-β-Carbethoxyethyl-2-carbethoxy-, b₁₅ 195-8°.²³
- 2-β-Carbethoxyethyl-4-carbethoxy-, b_{0.04} 130-3°.³⁶¹
- 2-β-Carbethoxyethyl-4-hydroxy-, m. 130°.361
- 2- $(\delta,\delta$ -Dicarbethoxybutyl)-2-carbethoxy-, $b_{0.2}$ 170–80°.²³
- 2-ι-Carboxynonyl-, m. 70-1°; b_{0.03} 178-85°. 585
- 4-Carboxy-2-δ-carboxybutyl, di Et ester, m. 119°; ¹⁵⁶ b₁₃ 140-1°. ⁵⁷⁵

PENTAMETHYLENE SULFIDE AND DERIVATIVES



- Pentamethylene sulfide, $CH_2(CH_2CH_2)_2S$, m. $19.07^{\circ},^{699}$ $16^{\circ},^{408}$ $13^{\circ};^{159}$ b. $141.6^{\circ},^{699}$ $142^{\circ},^{7}$ $141^{\circ},^{101c},^{106b},^{108}$ $140^{\circ},^{618}$ $140-2^{\circ};^{106a}$ b₇₅₆ $140^{\circ},^{504a}$ b₇₅₅ $141^{\circ},^{159}$ b₇₅₀ $141^{\circ},^{408}$ b₇₄₇ $141.5-2^{\circ},^{282c}$ $139.4-40^{\circ};^{723}$ d 15/4 0.9889, 159 d 18/4 0.9943, 282c d 20/4 0.9849, 159 0.9791, 723 0.9856, d 25/4 0.9810; 699 n 18/D 1.5046, 282c n $^{20}/D$ 1.5048, 723 1.5067, 699 1.5055, 504a 1.5057, 408 n $^{25}/D$ 1.5041; 699 HgCl₂ m. $^{139},^{699}$ 137.5°, 282c 149°; MeI 138.5°; 282d sulfone, m. $^{97},^{699}$ 94.5°, 7 99°, 282c
- 2-Methyl-, m. -58.14° ; b₂₆ 55.0° ,⁶⁹⁹ b. 151° ,⁷¹³ $154-6^{\circ}$,^{101c} b₇₅₀ 151° ,⁴⁰⁸ $151.4-1.6^{\circ}$; ^{282c} d 0/4 0.9616, d 18.5/4 0.9449,^{282c} d 20/4 0.9428, d 25/4 0.9381; ⁶⁹⁹ n 18.5/D 1.4884,^{282c} n 20/D 1.4905,⁶⁹⁹ 1.4898,⁴⁰⁸ n 25/D 1.4881; ⁶⁹⁹ HgCl₂, m. 102° ,⁶⁹⁹ 98°; ^{282c} sulfone, m. 66° ,⁶⁹⁹ 68.5° ; b₇₄₉ 295– 6.5° .^{282c}
- 2,5-Dimethyl-4-ethyl-4-hydroxy-, b₈ 110–1°; d 20/4 1.0344; n 20/D 1.5140. 505b
- 2,5-Dimethyl-4-ethynyl-4-hydroxy-, b₃ 88°; d 20/4 1.0680; n 20/D 1.5250. 505b
- 3-Methyl-, m. -60.17°; b. 157-9°; d 20/4 0.9473, d 25/4 0.9430; n 20/D 1.4922, n 25/D 1.4899; HgCl₂, m. 136°; sulfone, m. 83°.699
- 4-Methyl-, m. -28.11°; b₂₂ 54.0°; d 20/4 0.9471, d 25/4 0.9427; n 20/D 1.4923, n 25/D 1.4899; HgCl₂, m. 136°; sulfone, m. $121.5^{\circ}.^{699}$
- 2,3,6-Trimethyl-4-ethynyl-4-hydroxy-, b₅ 102–2.5°; d 0/4 1.0471; n 20/D 1.5185.^{505b}
- 2,2,6,6-Tetramethyl-, b_9 93°, 504b b_{11} 61°, 14 b_{12} 66°, 504a , 618 b_{15} 66°; 14 n 17/D 1.4858, 504b n 19/D 1.4763. 504a

- 2,2,6,6-Tetramethyl-4-hydroxy-, m. 70°.14
- 2,6,6-Trimethyl-2-ethyl-, b_{13} 87°; n 20/D 1.4849.504a
- 4-Hydroxymethyl-, b₁₈ 138°; phenylurethane, m. 130°.⁵⁴¹
- $4-\beta$ -Hydroxyethyl-, b_{10} 145° . 542
- 4-Carboxy-, m. 112.5°; Et ester, b₁₅ 118-20°; amide, m. 184.5°.541
- 4-Carboxymethyl-, m. 169-71°; Et ester b₁₀ 137-43°. 542
- 4,4-Diethylmercapto-, b₂ 112-4°; n 20/D 1.5635; 1-sulfone, b₂ 172-5°; n 25/D 1.5505; trisulfone, m. 171.5°.⁵²
- 2-Methyl-4-4-diethylmercapto-, b₂ 112-4°; n 20/D 1.5552.⁵²
- 3-Methyl-4,4-diethylmercapto-, b₂ 114-6°; n 25/D 1.5625.⁵²
- 2,6-Dimethyl-4,4-diethylmercapto-, b_{1.5} 108-10°; n 25/D 1.5418; trisulfone, m. 200.5°.52
- 2,6-Dimethyl-4,4-diethylmercapto-3-carbomethoxy-, m. 52°; b_{2.5} 144-6°; trisulfone, m. 170°.⁵²
- 2,6-Dicarboxy-, m. 213°; diMe ester b_{25} 170–80°; anhydride, m. 169° ; 228 cis, m. 208–10°. 607d
- 3-Bromo-, b₄ 68-9°.²²⁶
- 3-Hydroxy-, b₂₄ 114-8°.²²⁸
- 4-Hydroxy-4-cyano-, m. 63°.78
- 4-Hydroxy-4-carboxy-, m. 133°; sulfone m. 208°.78
- 4-Phenyl-4-hydroxy-, m. 78°; sulfone, m. 197°.78
- 4-Phenyl-4-cyano-, m. 57°; 207, 208 b₅ 175°; sulfone, m. 149°.208
- 4-Phenyl-4-carboxy-, m. 158°; ^{207, 208, 209} sulfone, m. 215°; ^{207, 208} amide, m. 159°. ^{207, 208, 209}
- 4-Benzyl-4-hydroxy-, m. 51°; sulfone, m. 152.5°.78
- 2-Keto-, (thiovaleric lactone), $b_{2.5}$ 79–80°, b_{12} 105–6°, 583 b_{25} 150–2°; 37 d 20/4 1.1550; n 20/D 1.5314. 583
- 3-Keto-, b₁₈ 101-2°.²²⁶
- 3-Keto-2-carbethoxy-, b₄ 117-20°. 226
- 4-Keto-, m. 66°, $^{53.}$ 76 62°; 227a oxime, m. 85°; semicarbazone, m. 151°; 76 sulfoxide, m. 113°; 78 sulfone, m. 222°, 227a 172°, 13 170°. 78
- 4-Keto-2-methyl-, b₂ 41–5°,⁵³ b₁₂ 82.5°; ^{505a} d 20/4 1.0877; n 20/D 1.5094,^{505a} n 25/D 1.5125; ⁵³ semicarbazone, m. 168°. ^{505a}
- 4-Keto-3-methyl-, $b_{1.5}$ 43-8°; n 25/D 1.5175.53
- 4-Keto-2,6-dimethyl-, m. 38.5°; ^{13, 14} b_{2.5} 46-9°, ⁵³ b₁₆ 93-4°; ¹⁴ n 25/D 1.4906; ⁵³ semicarbazone, m. 196°. ¹⁴
- 4-Keto-2,6-dimethyl-3-carbomethoxy-, m. 86°, 13, 14 83.5°.53
- 4-Keto-2,6-dimethyl-3,5-dicarbethoxy-, b₁₄ 88°; semicarbazone, m. 183°.³³⁴

- 4-Keto-2,2,6,6-tetramethyl-, b₄ 74°, b₁₆ 98°; semicarbazone, m. 216°. 14
- 4-Keto-3-carboxy-, Me ester b₅ 120°; n 20/D 1.5234; ^{227a} Et ester, m. 59°. ⁷⁶

HIGHER CYCLIC SULFIDES

Hexamethylene sulfide, (${}^{\circ}CH_2CH_2CH_2$)₂S, b. 170°,⁷¹⁸ b₇₅₀ 174°,⁴⁰⁸ b₇₄₇ 169–71°; d 18/4 0.9743; n 18/D 1.5044,^{282d} n 20/D 1.5125; ⁴⁰⁸ sulfone, m. 71°.^{282d}

Dodecamethylene sulfide, (CH₂)₁₂S, m. 66.5°.498

Tridecamethylene sulfide, (CH₂)₁₃S, m. 66°.498

Tetradecamethylene sulfide, (CH₂)₁₄S, m. 72.5°, 498 71°; HgCl₂ m. 167°. 73

Hexadecamethylene sulfide, (CH₂)₁₆S, m. 61°; HgCl₂ m. 166°.⁷⁸ Octadecamethylene sulfide, (CH₂)₁₈S, m. 74°; b₁₆ 186°; HgCl₂ m. 125°.⁷³

BENZOCYCLIC SULFIDES

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- -CH₂SCH₂-, m. 26°; b₁₄ 108°; d 26/4 1.143.¹⁰⁷
- -CH₂CH₂S-, b₁₃ 104°; d 21/4 1.129.107
- -CH₂CH₂CH₂S-, b₁₅ 128-30°; sulfone, m. 88.5°. 106b
- $-\text{COCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{S}-$, m. 30°; b_{0.1} 113-4°. 370
- -CH₂CH₂CH₂SCH₂-, m. 96°; b₁₄ 141-5°; sulfone, m. 176°. 107
- $-CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2S$ -, b_{21} 140-1°. 181

CYCLIC SELENIDES

Trimethylene, $CH_2(CH_2)_2$ Se, b_{779} 118–9°; d 20/4 1.5275; ^{238a, 482c} n 16/D 1.5612; I_2 m. 98°. ^{238a}

Tetramethylene, (•CH₂CH₂)₂Se, b₇₇₀ 135–6°, b₁₇₂ 90–1°; d 18/4 1.484; n 18/D 1.5510; Cl₂ m. 89°; Br₂ m. 92°; I₂ m. 100°; HgCl₂ m. 179°; MeI m. 174°. 482a

- 2,5-dicarboxy-, trans, L, m. 143°.238b
- 2,3,4,5-tetrachloro-, m. 97°.652
- 2,2,5,5-tetrachloro-, m. 98°; selenoxide, m. 150°.652
- 2,2,3,4,5,5-hexachloro-, m. 55°; selenoxide, m. 172.5°.652

- -- 2,3,4,5-tetrachloro-2,5-dibromo-, m. 72°.652
- 2,2,5,5-tetrabromo-, m. 97°; Br₂ m. 152°; selenoxide, m. 130°.652
- Pentamethylene, CH₂(CH₂CH₂)₂Se, b. 158°; d 20/4 1.399; n 18/D 1.5475; HgCl₂ m. 176°; Cl₂ m. 103°; Br₂ m. 118°; I₂ m. 114°.^{482b}

Hexamethylene, (•CH₂CH₂CH₂)₂Se, b₇₅₆ 188–90°, b₆₈ 105°; d 24.5/4 1.353; n 18/D 1.5470; HgCl₂ m. 194°; Cl₂ m. 78°; Br₂ m. 119°; I₂ m. 82°. 482d

Selenothiane, S(CH₂CH₂)₂Se, m. 107°,²⁶⁹ 104°.³⁵⁴

Selenoxane, Se(CH₂CH₂)₂O, m. -21.5°; b₅₄₈ 156.6°, b₃₇ 79.5°; n 20/D 1.5480.³⁵⁴

Cyclic Tellurides

Tetramethylene, (•CH₂CH₂)₂Te, b. 167°; n 18/D 1.6175; ^{482e} Cl₂ m. 113°; Br₂ m. 128–31°; ²²⁴ I₂ m. 150°. ^{482e}

Pentamethylene, CH₂(CH₂CH₂)₂Te, Cl₂ m. 106°; Br₂ m. 107°; I₂ m. 136.5°. 224

Two Carbons, Two Sulfurs



 $Me_2C(S)_2CMe_2$, b. $182-5^{\circ},^{392}$ $183-5^{\circ};^{16}$ disulfone, m. 220- $5^{\circ},^{16}$

MeEtC(S)₂CMeEt, b_{15} 120–30°. 392

 $Et_2C(S)_2CEt_2$, b_{15} 135–40°. 392

PhCH:CHC(Me) (S)₂CMeCH:CHPh, m. 132.5°.249

Ph₂C:C(S)₂C:CPh₂, m. 258°.608

 $Cl_2C(S)_2CCl_2$, m. 119°.603

Cl₂C(S)₂C:NPh, m. 70°.603

PhCOCH:C(S)₂C:CHCOPh, m. 214°.366b

C₄H₃S·COCH:C(S)₂C:CHCO·C₄H₃S, dec. 260°.366b

PhCOCMe:C(S)₂C:CMeCOPh, m. 225°.366b

MeC₆H₄COCMe:C(S)₂C:CMeCOC₆H₄Me, m. 265°.366b

C₄H₃S·COCMe:C(S)₂C:CMeCO·C₄H₃S, m. 260°.366b

 β -C₁₀H₇COCMe:C(S)₂C:CMeCOC₁₀H₇- β , m. 264°. 366b

 $S(CHMe)_2S_2$, b_{14} 89–90°. 441b

 $S(CPh_2)_2S_2$, m. 124°.639

THREE CARBONS, Two SULFURS

1,2-Dithiolane

$$\begin{array}{c|c} \mathbf{H_2S} \\ \mathbf{H_2C} & \mathbf{CH_2S} \\ \mathbf{CH_2S} \end{array}$$

4,4-Dimethyl-, b₁₇ 84-6°, b₂₇ 128-9°.⁸⁴

4,4-Di (hydroxymethyl) -, m. 130°.531

4-Pentamethylene-, b₁₇ 148°; HgCl₂ m. 91°.34

3,5-Dicarboxy-, DL m. 199°; D m. 176-80°; L m. 177-81°.607d

4-Keto-, semicarbazone, m. 224°.607c

3-(δ -carboxybutyl)-, m. 61°; ^{126, 127} b_{0.1} 160-5°, ¹²⁷ 150°. ¹²⁶

 $Me_2C(CH_2)_2S_3$, b_{14} 117–8°.34

 $Me_2C(CH_2)_2C(CH_2)_2S_2$, b_{27} 128-9°.29a

 $S(CH_2)_2C(CH_2)_2S_2$, m. 56.5°.^{29a}

 $S_2(CH_2)_2C(CH_2)_2S_2$, m. 80.5°; $HgCl_2$ 132°; $HgBr_2$ 127.5°.29b

 $S_2(CH_2)_2C(CH_2)_2S_3$, m. 118°.^{29b}

 $S_3(CH_2)_2C(CH_2)_2S_3$, m. 182-4°. 29b

Trithione



Trithione, m. 82°, 151, 430 80°; 695 HgCl₂ m. 219°; MeI m. 175°. 151 4-Methyl-, m. 41.5°, 634 40°; 407, 646, 695 b_{1.7} 110-2°; d 20/4 1.466; MeI m. 175°. 634

5-Methyl-, m. 33°.407, 424,695

4,5-Dimethyl-, m. 97°,94.695 96°,428 95.5°,117 95.2°,613 94.5°;49 oxime, m. 180°;94 MeI m. 149.3°.428

5-Methyl-4-butyl-, m. 33°.407

4-Methyl-5-t-butyl-, m. 81.3°,634 80°;644,645 b₅ 175°; d 20/4 1.359; 2 MeI adducts, m. 149.5° and 149°.634

5-Methyl-4-phenyl-, m. 92°.407

4-Methyl-5-phenyl-, m. 104.8° , 684 104° ; 407 , 424 b_{1.5} $208-9^{\circ}$; 684 d 20/4 1.450; 684 , 729 crystal structure; 729 HgBr₂ m. 215.2° ; MeI m. 136° . 684

5-Methyl-4-p-Methoxyphenyl-, m. 149°. 589

4-Methyl-5-carbomethoxy-, m. 119°.55

5-Ethyl-, m. 96.5°. 117

- 4-Neopentyl-, m. $87.3^{\circ},^{634}$ $87^{\circ};^{644},^{645}$ $b_{1.7}$ $159^{\circ};$ d 20/4 1.177; MeI m. $158^{\circ},^{634}$
- 4-Methyl-5-thienyl-, m. 90°.426
- 4-Phenyl-, m. 123°, 94 112°, 230, 407 122.8°; 684 oxime, m. 175°, 94 172.5°; 684 MeI m. 194°. 230
- 5-Phenyl-, m. 127°,91, 93a 126.2°,684 126°,94, 407, 422, 424, 430 126.5°; 430 HgBr₂ m. 155°; 684 di MeI m. 155°; oxime, m. 139°,684
- 5-*p*-Bromophenyl-, m. 129°.422
- 4,5-Diphenyl-, m. 160.5°,684 159.5°;430 di MeI m. 171.5°.684
- 5-Phenyl-4-p-Methoxyphenyl-, m. 168°.589
- 4-Phenyl-5-carbomethoxy-, m. 128°.55
- 5-Phenyl-4-carboxy-, Me ester, m. 99°; 425 Et ester, m. 64°.55
- 4-p-Toyl-, m. 104°,589 123°; MeI m. 179°.280
- 4-p-Ethylphenyl-, m. 108°; MeI m. 164°.230
- 4-p-t-Butylphenyl-, m. 146°; MeI m. 161.5°.230
- 4-p-t-Amylphenyl-, m. 112°; MeI m. 156° with decomposition.²³⁰
- 4-α-Naphthyl-, m. 198°.589
- 5-α-Naphthyl-, m. 105°.93a
- 4,5-Trimethylene-, m. 119°.407, 424
- 4,5-Tetramethylene-, m. 92°,424 98°.407
- 5-p-Hydroxyphenyl-, m. 191°,⁵⁵ 190.5°,^{93a} 189°,⁵⁸⁹ 188°;⁴²² Ac., m. 145°;⁵⁸⁹ MeI m. 226°.^{93a}
- 5-o-Methoxyphenyl-, m. $95.5^{\circ}.^{93a}$
- 5-p-Methoxyphenyl-, m. 111°,94 110.5°,430 109°,93a, 261, 422 108.5°; 262, 263 Cl₂ m. 98°; Br₂ m. 156°; I₂ m. 164°; HgCl₂ m. 220°; SbCl₃ m. 132°; SnCl₄ m. 185°; 423 oxime, m. 170°; 94 MeI m. 190°,93a 189°.94
- 4-p-Methoxyphenyl-, m. $152^{\circ}.589$
- 4-p-Methoxyphenyl, 5-carbethoxy-, m. 113°.589
- 5-(3,4-Methoxyhydroxyphenyl)-, m. 183°.421
- 5-(3,4-Dimethoxyphenyl)-, m. 127°; 421 HgCl₂ m. 225°; SnCl₄ m. 195°. 421
- $5-(3,4-CH_2O_2C_6H_3)-$, m. 195° ; $HgCl_2$ m. 240° ; $SnCl_4$ m. 230° . 421
- $5-(3,4-\text{MeO}(\text{MeO}_2\text{CCH}_2\text{O})\text{C}_6\text{H}_3)-, \text{ m. } 159^{\circ}.^{425}$
- $5-p-Me_2NC_6H_4-$, m. $208.5^{\circ},^{55}$ $204^{\circ},^{422}$ $201^{\circ};$ MeI m. $208^{\circ}.^{93a}$
- $5-(2-C_4H_3O)-, m. 112^{\circ}.^{93a}$
- $5-(2-C_4H_3S)-$, m. $128^{\circ},^{93a}$ $130^{\circ}.^{426}$
- Pinene-, m. 106°, MeI m. 142°; oxime, m. 123°.94

Benzotrithione, m. 98°, 407, 487, 442 95°, 94 90°; 424 HgCl₂ m. 225°; MeI m. 140°.94

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4,5-(2,3-Naphthotrithione), m. 144°; oxime, m. 232°.407

4,5-(1,2-Naphthotrithione), m. 149°; oxime, m. 161°.407

4,5-(1,8-Naphthotrithione), m. 206°.425

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OMe, m. 55°. NHPh, m. 106°.

CH₂CH₂OH, m. 107°; Ac. m. 64.5°.436

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5-Ph-, m. 119°,91 117°.60, 430, 684

 $5-p-HOC_6H_{5}-$, m. 167°; Ac., m. 147°. 589

 $5-p-MeOC_6H_5-$, m. 118.5° , 480 118° , 421 117° , 91 115° . 261, 262

 $5-(3.4 (MeO)_2C_6H_3)-$, m. $124^{\circ}.^{421}$

 $5-p-Me_2NC_6H_4-$, m. 190°. 93a

 $5-(2-C_4H_3O)-$, m. $97^{\circ}.93a$

 $5-(2-C_4H_3S)-$, m. $93^{\circ}.^{93a}$

Benzodithione, m. 77°,627 76°.325

1,3-Dithiolane



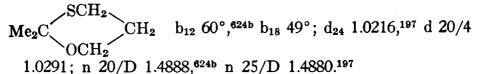
Dithiolane, m. -51°; 671 b760 175°, b11 61°, 270 b14 67°; 151 d17 1.259; n 15/D 1.5975; HgCl₂ m. 119°,²⁷⁰ 126°; ¹⁵¹ MeI m. 96°; monoxide, b₁ 115-20°, dioxide, m. 134°; ²⁷⁰ disulfone, m. 205°, ⁶², ⁶⁷¹ 224°.270

- 2-Methyl-, b. 172-3°, 225 b₁₂ 58°; 151 disulfone, m. 198°. 225
- 2-Methyl-2-carboxy-, m. 102°.225
- 2,2-Dimethyl-, b. 171°; sulfone, m. 232°.225
- 2-Methyl-4-chloromethyl-, b₂ 94°.649
- 2-Methyl-2-hydroxymethyl-, m. 58°; b_{0.8} 115°.649
- 2-Methyl-2-ethyl-, b₃ 55°; d 25/4 1.0680; n 25/D 1.5350.564
- 2-Methyl-2-i-propyl-, b₃ 61°; d 25/4 1.0511; n 25/D 1.5302.⁵⁶⁴
- 2-Methyl-2-hexyl-, b₆ 120°; d 25/4 0.9926; n 25/D 1.5110.564
- 2-Methyl-2-phenyl-, b₃ 131°,⁵⁶⁴ b₁₁ 162-3.5°; ³¹⁸ d 25/4 1.1819; n 25/D 1.6162.564

- 2,2-Dimethyl-4-chloromethyl-, b_{0.7} 80°.649
- 2,2-Dimethyl-4-hydroxymethyl-, m. 55°; b₁ 105°.649
- 2,2-Dimethyl-4-carboxy-, m. 53°; $b_{1.5}$ 121–2°; Me ester, $b_{0.5}$ 73–4°; amide, m. 90°. 398, 530
- 2,2-Dimethyl-4-butyl-, b_{12} 110°; n 22.5/D 1.5032.36
- 2-Ethyl-, b. 191-2°; sulfone, m. 124°.225
- 2-Ethyl-2-butyl-, b₅ 102°; d 25/4 1.0126; n 25/D 1.5191.564
- 2-Ethyl-2-phenyl-, b₂ 135°; d 25/4 1.1542; n 25/D 1.6050.⁵⁶⁴
- 2,2-Dipropyl-, b₂ 86°; d 25/4 1.0158; n 25/D 1.5200.564
- 2-Propyl-2-phenyl-, b₄ 145°; d 25/4 1.1287; n 25/D 1.5915.⁵⁶⁴
- 2,2-Di-i-propyl, m. 40°; b₄ 94°.564
- 2-Butyl-2-phenyl-, b₄ 154°; d 25/4 1.1035; n 25/D 1.5830.564
- 2,2-Di-i-butyl-, b₆ 115°; d 25/4 0.9892; n 25/D 1.5115.564
- 2-Amyl-2-phenyl-, b₄ 169°; d 25/4 1.0838; n 25/D 1.5755.564
- 2-Phenyl-, m. 29°.225
- 2-Phenyl-4-chloromethyl, m. 70°; b_{0.8} 150°.649
- 2-Phenyl-4-hydroxymethyl-, m. 77°; b_{1.5} 207°. 532, 649
- 2-Phenyl-4-cyanomethyl-, m. 69°; b. 180°.649
- 2,2-Diphenyl-, m. 106°.225
- 2-Phenyl-2-benzoyl-, m. 94.5°.343
- 2-Styryl-4-carboxy-, m. 100°.571
- 2-Phenacyl-, m. 80°.366c
- 2-Thenacyl-, m. 99°.366c
- 2,2-Tetramethylene-, b_5 89°; d 25/4 1.1464; n 25/D 1.5679.⁵⁶⁴
- 2,2-Pentamethylene-, b_5 107°, 564 b_6 114–5°; 317 d 25/4 1.1288; n 25/D 1.5650. 564
- 2,2-MeCH (CH₂CH₂)₂C (SCH₂·)₂, b₁₃ 126°; d 25/4 1.0907; n 25/D 1.5478.⁵⁶⁴
- 2,2-Pentamethylene-4-hydroxymethyl-, m. 70°; b_{0.8} 150°.649
- 4,4,5,5-Tetraphenyl-, m. 200°.596
- 2-Carboxy-, m. 90°, 158 150°. 367
- (•CH₂S)₂CHCH(SCH₂•)₂, m. 135.5°,⁵⁴⁵ 133°.²²⁵
- 2-Methyl-2-acyl-4,5-benzo-, MeAcCS₂C₆H₄-, m. 156°.343
- 2-Methyl-2-acetonyl-4,5-benzo-, m. 119°.343
- 2-Phenyl-2-benzoyl-4,5-benzo-, m. 175°.343

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- 2 Methyl-4-keto-, m. 145°.895d
- 2 Methyl-2-carboxy-4 keto-, m. 137°. 395b
- 2 i-Propyl-, b_{2.5} 29°.373
- 2-Phenyl-, b₅ 86-7°.373
- $2-(3.4 \text{ CH}_2\text{O}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_3-), b_{1.5} 118^{\circ}.^{373}$
- 2,2-Dimethyl-, b₆₅ 70°; d₂₄ 1.0105; n 25/D 1.4742.¹⁹⁷
- 2,2,4-Trimethyl-, b₇₆₁ 141°; d 20/4 0.9782; n 20/D 1.4645.624b
- 2,2-Dimethyl-4-chloromethyl-, b₁₅ 75°; d 20/4 1.1567; n 20/D 1.4940.624b
- 2,5-Dimethyl-4-keto-, m. 108°. 395d
- 2 Methyl-2-ethyl-, b₈ 42°; d₂₄ 0.9776; n 25/D 1.4751.¹⁹⁷
- 2 Methyl-2-*i*-butyl-, b₂ 41°. 197
- 2,2-Diethyl-4-keto-, m. 81°.395d
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- 2,2-Dibenzyl-, m. 43°. 197
- 2-Imino-, HCl m. 121.5°,615 121°.616

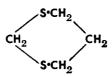


Four Carbons, Two Sulfurs

1,2-Dithiane

- 1,2-Dithiane, m. 33°,53.7 29°; 111.5 b₄ 58-63°,351 b₁₄ 80°,111.5 b₁₅₀ 82°.53.7
- 3,6-Dimethyl-, b_{16} 66-9°; n 25/D 1.5461.¹³³
- 3-(γ-carboxypropyl)-, m. 58°, 126, 127 62°. 561.5
- 3,6-Dicarboxy-, m. 199°.238d

1,3-Dithiane



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1,3-Dithiane, m. 53.5°,458 54°; 142, 270 b. 207-8°; 458 disulfone, m.
  330°,<sup>270</sup> 308°.<sup>458</sup>
2-Methyl-, b_5 66°, ^{142} b_9 79–80°; disulfone, m. 262°, ^{20b} 264°. ^{142}
2-Ethyl-, b<sub>5</sub> 85°; <sup>142</sup> disulfone, m. 209°, <sup>20b</sup> 210°. <sup>142</sup>
2-Propyl-, b<sub>5</sub> 94°; disulfone, m. 205°. 142
2,2-Dimethyl-, b<sub>5</sub> 65°, 142 b<sub>9</sub> 79-81°; disulfone, m. 246°. 20b
2-Methyl-2-ethyl-, b<sub>5</sub> 92°; disulfone, m. 205°. 142
2-Methyl-2-propyl-, b<sub>5</sub> 95°; disulfone, m. 205°. 142
2-Methyl-2-propyl-, b<sub>5</sub> 95°; disulfone, m. 209°. 142
2,2-Diethyl-, b<sub>5</sub> 85°; disulfone, m. 201°. 142
2-Methyl-2-phenyl-, b_5 147°. 142
2-Methyl-2-benzyl-, disulfone, m. 158°.<sup>20b</sup>
2-Phenyl-, m. 72°,493 71°; 20b, 142 disulfone, m. 265°.20b
2,2-Diphenyl, m. 110°.142
2-Methyl-5,5-dihydroxy-, m. 124°; disulfone, m. 219°.34
2,2-Dimethyl-5,5-dihydroxy-, m. 200.5°.34
2-Phenyl-2-benzoyl-, m. 100°. 158
2-Phenyl-5-hydroxy-, m. 143°.649
2-Phenyl-5,5-dihydroxy-, m. 211°.34
2-Methyl-2-phenyl-5,5-dihydroxy-, m. 165°.34
2,2-Diphenyl-5,5-dihydroxy-, m. 170°.34
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2,2-Dimethyl-5,5-dimethyl-, m. 58.5°.34
2,2-Dimethyl-5,5-pentamethylene-, m. 77°; disulfone, m. 221°.34
2,2-Dimethyl-5,5-di-(hydroxymethyl)-, m. 200°; diAc., m. 72°.84
2-Methyl-2-ethyl-5,5-pentamethylene-, m. 37.5°.34
2-Methyl-2-phenyl-5,5-dimethyl-, m. 60°.34
2,2-Diphenyl-5,5-dimethyl-, m. 90.5°.34
2-Phenyl-5,5-pentamethylene-, m. 162°.34
2,2-Diphenyl-5,5-pentamethylene-, m. 125°.34
2,2-Tetramethylene-5,5-pentamethylene-, m. 68.5°.34
2,2-Pentamethylene-, m. 41.5°; b<sub>17</sub> 148-8.5°.<sup>317</sup>
2,2-Pentamethylene-5,5-dihydroxy, m. 187.5°.84
2,2 Pentamethylene-5,5-pentamethylene-, m. 106.5°.34
2-Furyl-5,5-dimethyl-, m. 63.5°.34
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2-Furyl-5,5-pentamethylene-, m. 103°.34

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3,9-Dimethyl-, m. 110°.29c

3,9-Dimethyl-3,9-diacetyl, m. 165.5°.20c

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3,9-Dimethyl-3,9-diethyl-, m. 143.5°.29c

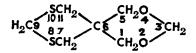
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3,3-Tetramethylene-9,9-tetramethylene-, m. 213°.29c

3,3-Pentamethylene-9,9-pentamethylene-, m. 207°.29c



3,3,9,9-Tetramethyl-, m. 128°.34

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3,9-Diphenyl-, m. 173.5°.34

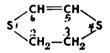
1,4-Dithiane



- 1,4-Dithiane, m. 111°,159. 188, 344, 453, 671 112°,11, 172a, 354, 445a 113°,72, 552a 110°,193, 264 110.5°,721b 109°,721a, 722 108°,465a 100°; 418 b. 200°,344, 453, 465a 199–200°,172a, 445a 205°,193 b₆₀ 115.6°, b₃₀₆ 163.7°; n 20/D 1.4217; 354 MeCl m. 225°; MeI m. 175°,445b 174°; 11, 506 di MeI m. 208°; 445b PhCH₂Br m. 146°; 506 monosulfone, m. 200°; sulfoxide-sulfone, m. 279°; disulfone, m. > 330°.255
- 2-Methyl-, m. 20°; b. 209–10°; 458 disulfone, m. 304°. 259
- 2,6-Dimethyl-, b₁₂ 85–7°,²⁷⁴ b₁₈ 80–100°; ^{451.5} d 20/4 1.078; n 20/D 1.5420,²⁷⁴ 1.5324; ^{451.5} monosulfone, m. 146°; ^{31, 451.5} disulfone, m. 320°,³⁴⁰ 313°.^{451.5}
- 2,5-Dimethyl-2,5-endoxy-, m. 8°; 338 , 607a b_{0.2} 55-6°, 338 b₁₄ 96-7°.
- 2,3,5,6-Tetramethyl-, b₃₅ 145-50°. 539
- 2,6-Dipropyl-, b₂₀ 145-55°; d 20/4 1.000; n 20/D 1.5255.274
- 2,6-Diphenyl-, b₃₀ 190-5°; d 20/4 1.141; n 20/D 1.6060.274

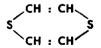
- 2,5-Diphenyl-2,5-diethylmercapto-, m. 161°.284
- 2,5-Dihydroxy-, m. 138-43°; diAc., m. 173°; diBz., m. 205°.822
- 2,5-Dimethoxy-, cis-trans, b₁ 79-84°; a-isomer, m. 85°. 525
- 2-Ethoxy-, b₅ 88°; n 25/D 1.5410.519
- 2,5-Diethoxy-, m. 92°,525 91°; 322 b₄ 93-111°; α-isomer, m. 92°.525
- 2,5-Diketo-, m. 119.5°.593
- 2,5-Dicarboxy-, m. 110°; diEt ester, b₂₀ 62-3°.676
- 2-Hydroxymethyl-, b_{0.4} 103-5°; n 20/D 1.5935, n 25/D 1.5910; disulfone, m. 278°; Bz., m. 48.5°; b_{0.5} 77°; p-nitro benzoate, m. 97°. 259
- 2-Chloromethyl-, $b_{0.2}$ 80–2°; d 20/4 1.312; n 25/D 1.5884; disulfone, m. 255°. 259
- 2,5-Dihydroxy-2,5-di (methylmercaptomethyl) -, m. 178°; diAc., m. 144°.607c

1,4-Dithiene



- 1,4-Dithiene, b₂₉ 101°; n 25/D 1.6273.⁵¹⁹
- 2-Hydroxy-, Ac. $b_{0.3}$ 85-7°; b_{11} 133-5°, b_{13} 135-41°. 322
- 2-Methoxy-, b₄ 63.1-3.2°; n 28.5/D 1.5942.525
- 2-Ethoxy-, b₂ 68-72°; n 25/D 1.5731.525
- Benzo-, b_{0.18} 82.5-5°; n 25/D 1.6713; disulfone, m. 222.5°.522
- 2-Ethoxybenzo-, b_{0.9} 124-5°; n 25/D 1.6229; ^{522, 576} 1,3,5-trinitrobenzene adduct, m. 104.5°. ⁵⁷⁶

Dithiadiene

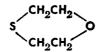


Dithiadiene, b₁₇ 77°; n 30/D 1.6319.525

- 2,5-Diphenyl-, m. 119°,89,355,523 118°,284 117°.46
- 3-Nitro-2,5-diphenyl-, m. 133.⁵²³
- 2,5-Dimethyl-3,6-diphenyl-, m. 138°.46
- $2,5-Di(m-O_2NC_6H_4)-$, m. $222^{\circ}.^{46}$
- 2,5-Di-*p*-tolyl-, m. 138°.³⁵⁵
- 2,5-Di-β-C₁₀H₇-, m. 200°.46
- 2,5-Dicarboxymethyl-, m. 140°; diEt ester, m. 168°.643

- Benzo-, b. 220°, b_{0.1} 67–70°; 522 , 576 d₂₀ 1.2799; 522 n 20/D 1.6760, 576 n 25/D 1.6754; 522 , 576 1,3,5-trinitrobenzene adduct, m. 98.5°. 576
- 2-Nitrobenzo-, m. 105.5°,522 106°.576
- 2-Aldehydobenzo-, oxime, m. 169°.522
- 2-Acetylbenzo-, m. 55.5°; b_{0.08} 124-7°; oxime, m. 170°.524
- 2-Carboxybenzo-, m. 137°.524

1,4-Thioxane



Thioxane, m. -17° , 354 $-19-18^{\circ}$; 182 b. 148.7° , 354 147° , 159 , 255 b₇₅₆ $145-8^{\circ}$, b₇₄₀ $145.5-6.5^{\circ}$, 721b b₇₆₄ 148.9° , 182 b₇₆₁ $145-6^{\circ}$, 722 b₇₄₅ $144.5-5.5^{\circ}$, 721a b₄₇ 69.9°, b₁₆₅ 100° , b₅₄₉ 137.7° ; 354 d 15/4 1.1223, d 20/4 1.11775, 159 1.1171, 182 1.1176, 721b 1.1190, 722 1.1143; 721a n 20/D 1.5081, 354 1.5072, 721b 1.5023, 722 1.5070, 721a 1.5066; 721b Br₂ m. 85°; I₂ m. 67°; EtI m. 85°; 255 HgCl₂ m. 171°, 159 167°; 721a sulfoxide, m. 45 °, 255 25°; 148 b₁₅ 147°; 148 , 255 sulfone, m. 130 °, 62 , 255 105.5°, $^{451.5}$

- 5-Methyl-3-ethoxy-, b_{14} 88°; n 20/D 1.4750.517
- 3,5-Dimethyl-, b. 162°; sulfone, m. 102°.340
- 2,6-Dimethyl-, b. $160-1^{\circ}$, $^{451.5}$ b₁₆ $113-4^{\circ}$; n 20/D 1.4748, 298 1.4733; sulfone, m. 105.5° . $^{451.5}$
- 2,3-Dimethyl, 3-ethoxy-, b₂₂ 68°, n 25/D 1.5183.⁵¹⁹
- 2,3-Dimethyl, 3-acetyl-, b₁ 83-4°; n 20/D 1.4758.⁵¹⁹
- 5,5-Dimethyl, 3-ethoxy-, b₁₂ 87°; n 25/D 1.4732.⁵¹⁷
- 5,5-Dimethyl, 3-butoxy-, b_{13} 119°; n 20/D 1.4700.⁵¹⁷
- 2,2,6,6-Tetramethyl-, b_{19} $130-2^{\circ}$; n 20/D $1.4748.^{298}$
- 3,5-Dihydroxy-, m. 73°. 164
- 3-Methoxy-, b₅ 57°, b₂₀ 85°, ⁵¹⁸ b₂₃ 85°, ⁵¹⁹ b₃₀ 92°; ⁵¹⁷ n 20/D 1.4941, ⁵¹⁹ 1.4922, ⁵¹⁷ n 23/D 1.4911. ⁵¹⁸
- 3-Ethoxy-, b_{14} 81–2°; n 20/D 1.4850.⁵¹⁷
- 3,5-Diethoxy-, m. 101°.160
- 3-Butoxy-, b₁₃ 109°. 517
- 3,5-Diketo-, m. 102° ,7.5 101° ; 394.5 b_{10} 158° ,7.5 b_{12} $158-9^{\circ}$.394.5
- 2,6-Dimethyl-3,5-diketo-, b_{14} 133–7°; n 20/D 1.5010.394.5
- 2,6-Diethyl-3,5-diketo-, m. 15°; b₁₅ 149-50°; n 20/D 1.4942.894.5

Thioxene

Thioxene, b_5 60°, 519 b_{20} 54°; n 20.7/D 1.5357, 518 1.5208. 519

2,3-Dimethyl-, b₂₂ 68°; n 25/D 1.5183.⁵¹⁹

3-Ethoxybenzo-, b₄ 125°; n 20.5/D 1.5732, n 25/D 1.5713.⁵²⁰

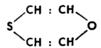
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Dibenzo-2,2'-ether, m. 120°.520

2,3-Dibromobenzo-, m. 106°.520

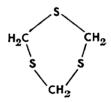
Thioxadiene



Benzo-, b_{0.48} 49°; n 25/D 1.6129.⁵²⁰

THREE CARBONS, THREE SULFURS

Trithiane



Trithiane, (CH₂S)₃, m. 216°, ^{15b}, ²⁰³, ²⁵⁴, ^{324a}, ^{324b}, ^{324c}, ^{327d}, ⁵⁶⁹, ⁶⁷³, ⁷⁰⁶ 215°, ⁴⁷² 217°, ⁵⁸⁸ 218°, ²⁶⁷, ^{327b}, ^{327e}, ^{445a}, ^{470e}, ⁶⁷³

Trithioacetaldehyde, (CH₃CHS)₃, α -m. 101°,²¹, ^{59a}, ²⁰³, ²⁴⁸, ^{349a}, ^{374c}, ⁵⁰⁰, ⁷⁰⁶ 102°,^{56b}, ^{58b}, ²¹⁴ 98°,⁵⁰⁰ 90°; ^{172a} d 20/4 1.178; ²¹ β -m. 126°,²¹, ^{58b}, ²⁰³, ^{441c}, ⁶²² 125°,^{56b}, ^{59a}, ⁵⁰⁰, ⁷⁰⁶ 124°; ^{374a} b. 247°, ^{186e}, ^{187b} 246–7°, ^{374c} 245–8°, ^{374a} 249°, ²¹⁴ 242°, ^{446a} 205°; ^{172a} d 20/4 1.150.²¹

2,4,6-Trichloro-trithioacetaldehyde, (MeClCS)₃, b₁₀ 85–7°.²²⁹ Trithiopropionaldehyde, (EtCHS)₃, m. 36° and 76°; b₁₀ 143°; n 25/D 1.5472.²⁰⁰

Trithioallylaldehyde, (CH₂:CHCH₂CHS)₃, trisulfone, m. 267°. 420 Trithiofurfural, (C₄H₃O·CHS)₃, α -m. 128°, 59e , 706 95–8°; 460 β -m. 229°. 59e , 706

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Trithiobenzaldehyde, (PhCHS)<sub>3</sub>, \alpha-m. 167°, <sup>59a</sup>, <sup>706</sup> 164°, <sup>258</sup> 164–7°; <sup>50</sup>, <sup>133</sup> \beta-m. 224°, <sup>93b</sup> 225°, <sup>59a</sup>, <sup>374b</sup>, <sup>706</sup> 226°, <sup>58b</sup>, <sup>253</sup>, <sup>323b</sup>, <sup>374a</sup>, <sup>470c</sup> 228°, <sup>133</sup>
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Trithiophenylacetaldehyde, (PhCH₂CHS)₃, α -m. 123°; β -m. 169°. 199

Trithiocinnamaldehyde, (PhCH:CHCHS)₃, α-m. 167°; β-m. 213. ^{59a. 59c}

Trithio-m-tolualdehyde, α-m. 144°; β-m. 225°.706

Trithio-p-tolualdehyde, α-m. 150°; β-m. 180°.706

Trithiomesitaldehyde, m. 187°.²⁵⁸

Trithioanisaldheyde, α -m. 127°; β -m. 183°, 59a, 59c 186°, 470c 180°. 93b

Trithiosalicylaldehyde, β-m. 210°.383

Trithio-m-hydroxybenzaldehyde, β-m. 212°.383

Trithio-p-hydroxybenzaldehyde, β-m. 215°.383

Trithiomethylsalicylaldehyde, α -m. 157°; β -m. 224°. 59a, 59c

Trithiomethyl-m-hydroxybenzaldehyde, β -m. 147°.383

Trithio-i-butylsalicylaldehyde, α-m. 142°; β-m. 150°. 59a. 59c

Trithio-o-chlorobenzaldehyde, α -m. 163.5°; β -m. 224.6°.638

Trithio-m-chlorobenzaldehyde, α -m. 116.4°; β -m. 163.2°.638

Trithio-p-chlorobenzaldehyde, α -m. 138.2°; β -m. 190.4°.638

Trithio-o-bromobenzaldehyde, α-m. 186.7°; β-m. 221.0°.638

Trithio-m-bromobenzaldehyde, α-m. 142.3°; β-m. 177.9°.638

Trithio-p-bromobenzaldehyde, α -m. 183.0°; β -m. 205.9°.638

Trithio-o-iodobenzaldehyde, α -m. 189.6°; β -m. 202.6°.638

Trithio-m-iodobenzaldehyde, α-m. 197.4°; β-m. 213°.638

Trithio-p-iodobenzaldehyde, α -m. 114.8°; β -m. 212°.638

Triselenane, (CH₂Se)₃, m. 210°.¹¹¹

Trithioacetone, m. 24°,89, 247, 469 22°; 21 b₁₀ 105–7°, 200 b₁₅ 116–7°,89 b₁₃ 130°, b. 225–30°; 247 d 20/4 1.068; 21 n 24/D 1.5400; 200 trisulfone, m. 302°. 58a , 58b , 469

Trithiobutanone, b_{175} 238°; d_{20} 1.03; 112 trisulfone, m. 269°. 420 Trithiocyclopentanone, m. 99.1°; 246b b_{10} 86–8°; 614 trisulfone, m. 172°. 246b

Trithiocyclohexanone, m. 102°; 246b b₁₅ 76°.614

Trithioacetophenone, m. 122.1°,58c, 93b, 163, 199 119.5°; 212 b₂₀ 110°.470a

MISCELLANEOUS CYCLICS

4,8-Thioctic acid, m. 86°. 126, 127

1,2-Dithiacycloheptane-3,7-dicarboxylic acid, m. 194°.607d

 $CH_2(CH_2SCH_2)_2$, m. 47°; 458, 671 b. 221–2°; 458 disulfone, m. 282°, 205 288°. 458

HOCH (CH₂SCH₂)₂, m. 65.5°; benzoate, m. 76°.259

 $S(CH_2CH_2CH_2)_2S$, m. -15°; b. 245-6°; disulfone, m. 258°, 458 259°. 20b

 $S(CMe_2COCMe_2)_2S$, m. 104-6°.607b

CH₂(CH₂SCH₂CH₂)₂, m. 57.5°; sublimes, 260°; disulfone, m. 185.6°.458

 $(CH_2SCH_2CH_2CH_2)_2$, m. 65°.671

CH₂(CH₂SCH₂CH₂SCH₂)₂CH₂ m. 122°.671

CH₂(CH₂SCH₂CH₂CH₂SCH₂)₂CH₂, m. 46°.458

(CH₂CH₂SCH₂CH₂SCH₂CH₂)₂, m. 73°.671

(CH₂CH₂SCH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂)₂, m. 61°.458

CH₂(CH₂CH₂SCMe₂SCH₂CH₂)₂CH₂, m. 118°.¹⁸

CH₂(CH₂CH₂SCEt₂SCH₂CH₂)₂CH₂, m. 113°.¹⁸

CH₂(CH₂CH₂SCH₂CH₂SCH₂CH₂)₂CH₂, m. 89°.671

 $S(CH_2CH_2SCH_2CH_2SCH_2CH_2)_2S$, m. 90°; sulfone, m. > 330°. 458

O(CH₂CH₂SCH₂CH₂SCH₂CH₂)₂O, m. 125°; sulfone, m. 266°.458

 $m-C_6H_4$ (CH₂SCMe₂SCH₂)₂C₆H₄, m. 254°; sulfone, m > 300°.¹⁷

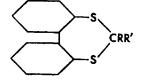
p-C₆H₄(CH₂SCHPhSCH₂)₂C₆H₄, m. 249°.¹⁷

 $p-C_6H_4[CH_2SCH(C_6H_4Me-m)SCH_2]_2C_6H_4$, m. 220°.17

 $p-C_6H_4[CH_2SCH(C_6H_4Me-p)SCH_2]_2C_6H_4$, m. 266°.17

 $o-C_6H_4(CH_2S)_2CH_2$, m. 153°. 19b

 $o-C_6H_4(CH_2S)_2CHMe$, m. 110°. 19b



R & R'=Me, m. 95°.51 R=H, R'=Ph, m. 106°.51 R=Ph, R'=PhCO, m. 198°.51

 $PhCH[S(CH_2)_{10}S]_2CHPh, m. 135.8^{\circ}.451$

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Thials and Thiones

Thioaldehydes and Thioketones

RCHS

RCSR'

General

Formally, these have the same relation to aldehydes and ketones, RCHO and RCOR', as mercaptans and thioethers do to alcohols and ethers:

ROH	RSH	ROR'	RSR'
PhOH	PhSH	PhOR	PhSR

Here, as elsewhere, the formulae of compounds containing bivalent sulfur are similar to those with bivalent oxygen. In some of their reactions there is close analogy between the oxygen and sulfur compounds but there is usually a marked difference in degree. Thus mercaptans can be esterified but the rates and limits are low as compared to those of the alcohols. The striking difference between thioaldehydes and thioketones is in the matter of the formation of cyclic trimers. Acetaldehyde can be converted to the cyclic paraldehyde; thioacetaldehyde is known only as the cyclic trimer. The trimer of acetone and the monomer of thioacetone are unknown. These statements apply specifically to the aliphatics; monomers are known among the aromatics. The formation and some of the reactions of thials and thiones will be considered here but the trimeric trithioaldehydes and 148

trithioketones are actually cyclic sulfides and for that reason have been taken up in chapter 1 on Cyclic Sulfides.

Aromatic ketones may appear as monomers or trimers according to the number and structure of the aryls present. Thioacetophenone can be obtained as a monomer which readily polymerizes to the trimer. Thiobenzophenone is monomeric and cannot be made to polymerize. The few aliphatic thioketones that have been isolated are from ketones that tend to enolize.³⁵

The aromatic thioaldehydes and thioketones differ from their oxygen analogs in being highly colored. This is true even of the monomeric ones. The :C:S group is a strong chromaphore.^{37,} 124

Kekulé imagined that alcohols could be changed into mercaptans and ethers into thio ethers by treatment with phosphorus pentasulfide, but was sadly mistaken. The oxygen of an alcohol (except a tertiary) is not readily removed and can not be taken out of the molecule without bringing the hydroxyl hydrogen with it. The oxygen in an ether is bound to two carbons and can not be disturbed without breaking up the molecule. There are a few apparent exceptions to this. On the other hand, a carbonyl oxygen can be exchanged for other atoms, or groups, without interfering with the rest of the molecule. This is characteristic of many aldehyde and ketone reactions:

In accordance with this the most general method of preparing thioaldehydes and thioketones, is the direct replacement of the oxygen of an aldehyde or ketone by sulfur. Hydrogen sulfide is the most frequently employed reagent.

RCHO +
$$H_2S$$
 \rightarrow RCHS + H_2O
RR'CO + H_2S \rightarrow RR'CS + H_2O

These reactions take place in the presence of hydrochloric acid which is the preferred catalyst for the reactions of aldehydes and ketones with mercaptans.³⁵

An ably written, comprehensive review of the chemistry of thiones and thials by Campaigne has appeared recently.^{39b} This covers the preparation, properties, and reactions of all classes.

An earlier review on thicketones by Schönberg put great emphasis on the resemblances between monomeric thicketones such as thiobenzophenone and free radicals such as triphenylmethyl. Hexamethylethane is perfectly stable while if the methyls are replaced by phenyl groups, until hexaphenylethane is reached, the molecule tends to break in two.^{170a} These reviews have been of great assistance in writing this chapter.

Thioaldehydes

TRITHIOFORMALDEHYDE

Trithioformaldheyde seems to have been obtained for the first time by the action of hydrogen sulfide on heated lead formate.²¹⁷ The yields were poor and the product sometimes contained oxygen and had a low melting point.^{91, 121} The pyrolysis of lead formate gives formaldehyde which reacts more or less completely with the hydrogen sulfide.⁵ Thioformaldehyde is formed by the reduction of an alkyl ^{87a} or aryl ⁸² isothiocyanate. Carbon disulfide is reduced to thioformaldehyde by zinc and an acid.^{73, 76} It has been shown that methylene dimercaptan is formed in this reduction: ¹³⁶

$$\mathsf{CS}_2 \quad + \quad \mathsf{4} \; \mathsf{H} \qquad \rightarrow \qquad \mathsf{H}_2 \mathsf{C} (\mathsf{SH})_2$$

As will be shown later, this mercaptan is an intermediate product in the usual preparation of thioformaldehyde.

When formalin is mixed with twice its volume of concentrated hydrochloric acid and saturated with hydrogen sulfide, trithiane is precipitated.^{34.5, 54b, 75, 87b, 87c, 162} The yield may be as high as 94%.²⁹ The primary reactions may be written:

1.
$$H_2CO$$
 + HSH \rightarrow H_2C SH

2. H_2C $+$ HSH \rightarrow $H_2C(SH)_2$ + H_2O

The formation of mercaptals is well known:

3.
$$H_2CO$$
 + RSH \rightarrow H_2C

SR

4. H_2C \rightarrow $H_2C(SR)_2$ + H_2C

Strong acids catalyze the formation of thioaldehydes and mercaptals. Methylene mercaptan, HSCH₂SH, may be expected to react with formaldehyde:

5.
$$HSCH_2SH + H_2CO \rightarrow HSCH_2SCH_2OH$$

This should react with hydrogen sulfide:

6.
$$HSCH_2SCH_2OH + HSH \rightarrow HSCH_2SCH_2SH + H_2O$$

Further reaction of the products of reactions 5 and 6 with formaldehyde would produce longer chains.

7.
$$H_2CO$$
 + $HSCH_2SCH_2OH$ \rightarrow $HOCH_2SCH_2SCH_2OH$
8. H_3CO + $HSCH_3SCH_3SH$ \rightarrow $HOCH_3SCH_3SCH_3SH$

The elimination of water from these would produce cyclic compounds:

9.
$$H_2C$$

$$SCH_2OH$$

$$\rightarrow H_2C$$

$$SCH_2OH$$

$$10. H_2C$$

$$SCH_2OH$$

$$\rightarrow H_2C$$

$$SCH_2$$

$$\rightarrow H_2C$$

$$SCH_2$$

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This is in accordance with the general tendency for six membered rings to form when possible. If cyclization does not take place these chains will continue to lengthen by reacting with additional formaldehyde and hydrogen sulfide. As the formation of rings with more than six members is unlikely, linear polymers will result. As is true of linear polymers in general, these will be mixtures of chains of all possible lengths.

The reactive intermediates postulated above cannot be isolated but the presence of HSCH₂SCH₂SH has been proved by alkylating it to the relatively stable tris-sulfide, MeSCH₂SCH₂-SMe, and of H₂C(SCH₂SH)₂ by oxidising it to the disulfide, CH₂-(SCH₂S)₂.^{11a, 11b, 13d}

Actually a number of products have been described resulting from the reaction of hydrogen sulfide and formaldehyde. In neutral solution a product corresponding to the formula, (CH₂S)₃-CH₂O has been obtained. A highly insoluble amorphous powder, melting at 175–6°, and having the composition, (CH₂S)_n, has been isolated and also a dimercaptan, HS(CH₂S)_nH. Algorithm of these will be formed depends on conditions, the

most important of which is the pH of the solution, the lower this is the more cyclization.⁶⁸ The preparation of thioformaldehyde at pH above 8.8 is claimed in a patent.²²⁴

When n is large the composition does not vary greatly from one member to the next in the series, $HS(CH_2S)_nH$, and tends to that of $(CH_2S)_n$. Even if one sulfur atom is replaced by an oxygen the change is small. This is illustrated by the figures in table 2.1.

Table 2.1

Percentage Composition of Various Polymers

	$\mathrm{HS}(\mathrm{CH_2S})_{10}\mathrm{H}$	$\mathrm{HS}(\mathrm{CH_2S})_{11}\mathrm{H}$	$\mathrm{HS}(\mathrm{CH_2S})_{20}\mathrm{H}$
C	24.26	24.43	25.12
S	71.27	71.10	70.42
H	4.46	4.47	4.45
	$\mathrm{HS}(\mathrm{CH_2S})_{21}\mathrm{H}$	$(CH_2S)_n$	$\mathrm{HO}(\mathrm{CH_2S})_{21}\mathrm{H}$
C	25.17	26.05	25.58
\mathbf{S}	<i>7</i> 0.40	69.56	68.30
H	4.43	4.38	4.50

Thioformaldehyde contrasts sharply with formaldehyde in that the tendency to form the cyclic trimer in preference to a linear polymer is so much greater. With formaldehyde linear polymerization is the rule; much of the Greek alphabet has been used up in naming brackets of formaldehyde polymers, which may be considered as having the general formula $HO(CH_2O)_nH$. Where n is large it is impossible to distinguish between $HO-(CH_2O)_nH$ and $(CH_2O)_n$. There is always uncertainty as to whether the water present is actually a part of the molecule or is only adsorbed. These polymers change progressively in properties as n increases up to 5000 in the so-called eu-polyoxymethylenes. The cyclic trioxymethylene has been known since 1885 but it was as late as 1942 that a practical method of preparation was developed.²¹¹

The facility with which thioformaldehyde trimerizes is all the more remarkable when the structural formulae of trioxane and trithiane are contrasted:

$$\begin{array}{cccc} \operatorname{CH_2O} & \operatorname{CH_2S} & \operatorname{CH_2S} & \operatorname{CH_2S} & \\ \operatorname{CH_2S} & \operatorname{CH_2S} & \\ \operatorname{Trioxane} & \operatorname{Trithiane} & \end{array}$$

It has been pointed out in the chapter on Cyclic Sulfides that pentamethylene sulfide, $(CH_2)_5S$, is obtained in much poorer yields than tetramethylene sulfide, $(CH_2)_4S$, under comparable conditions. Dithiane, $S(CH_2CH_2)_2S$, is not prepared as readily as thioxane, $O(CH_2CH_2)_2S$. If the sulfur atom is considered to be spatially equivalent to -CH:CH-, as it appears to be in thiophene, pentamethylene sulfide would be more like a sevenmembered ring and dithiane more like an eight-membered ring, which would explain the lower yields. According to this reasoning three sulfur atoms should take up the space of six carbon atoms which would make trithiane a nine-membered ring, the formation of which would seem to be unlikely. The trioxane ring is not planar; the trithiane ring would not be expected to be planar.

A convenient method of preparation which avoids the use of hydrogen sulfide is the acidification of a mixture of formalin and sodium thiosulfate.^{34.5}, ⁸⁶, ¹³⁹, ¹⁶⁹, ^{208a}, ^{208b}, ^{209a}, ^{209b} The sodium thiosulfate is fused, and 100 g. is mixed with 100 g. of 37% formaldehyde. This mixture is poured into 100 g. of conc. hydrochloric acid. The formaldehyde and thiosulfuric acid form a compound which breaks up: ¹⁶⁹, ^{209a}, ^{209b}

$${\rm H_2CO} \ + \ {\rm HSSO_3H} \ \rightarrow \ {\rm HOCH_2S^{\circ}SO_3H} \ \rightarrow \ {\rm H_2CS} \ + \ {\rm H_2SO_4}$$

That the monomer is an intermediate is evidenced by the fact that a terrific odor is sometimes noticed.^{132.5} The thioformaldehyde polymerizes to the insoluble trimer which separates out, allowing the reaction to go to completion. The trithioformaldehyde is filtered off and recrystallized from benzene. ^{208a, 208b, 209a, 209b}

Trithiane results also from the reaction of methylene iodide with sodium sulfide: 87b, 92, 129

$${\rm H_2CI_2} \ + \ {\rm Na_2S} \ \rightarrow \ {\rm H_2CS} \ + \ 2 \, {\rm Nal}$$

Artificial protein filaments are strengthened by insolubilizing them with nascent thiofomaldehyde. 194

Triselenane, (CH₂Se)₃, m. 210°, has been prepared from formaldehyde and hydrogen selenide.³⁴

TRITHIOACETALDEHYDE

In the early preparations of thioacetaldehyde an aqueous solution of acetaldehyde was saturated with hydrogen sulfide. An oil was obtained the composition of which was given as $(C_2H_4S)_n\cdot H_2S$, n having different values up to 8. This showed mercaptan reactions. Treatment of this oil with hydrochloric or sulfuric acid caused crystalline trithioacetaldehyde, (CH₃-CHS)₃, to separate.^{54a, 54b, 80, 110a, 110c, 110c, 130, 155, 213} If hydrochloric acid were present when the hydrogen sulfide was passed in, the crystalline compound was formed at once.^{12b} Under certain conditions intermediate products having the compositions $(C_2H_4O)_2(C_2H_4S)$, m. 54° and $(C_2H_4O)(C_2H_4S)_2$, m. 72°, have been obtained. These are believed to have a cyclic structure and to be intermediates between paraldehyde, $(C_2H_4O)_3$, and trithioacetaldehyde $(C_2H_4S)_3$.^{118, 140}

The addition of hydrochloric acid to a solution containing paraldehyde and sodium thiosulfate gives thioacetaldehyde. This is analogous to the preparation of trithiane. $^{208b, 209a}$ Hydrogen sulfide and α -chloroethyl ether give a 70% yield: 112

MeCHCIOEt + HSH \rightarrow MeCH(SH)OEt \rightarrow MeCHS + HOEt

It can be prepared by the action of hydrogen sulfide, or a metal sulfide, on α,α'-dichloroethyl sulfide, (MeCHCl)₂S.¹²⁸

The monomeric thioacetaldehyde has been reported twice as an odorous liquid boiling at 40° and polymerizing readily. 130, 156

Thioacetaldehyde and ethyl mercaptan are formed when a 0.025-5% solution of acetaldehyde in 10 to 85% alcohol is saturated with hydrogen sulfide. After 8 days standing the thioaldehyde is no longer detectable. During rectification of the alcohol the thioaldehyde decomposes into acetaldehyde and hydrogen sulfide, but these recombine.⁴⁷

Thioacetaldehyde is formed by the reaction of HSMgBr (from EtMgBr and H₂S) on acetaldehyde.^{135a}

Thioacetaldehyde has been prepared from acetylene by passing it and hydrogen sulfide into 63% sulfuric acid containing mercuric sulfate at 30–40°. Some monothioparaldehyde, (CH₃CHO)₂CH₃CHS, was isolated, indicating that acetaldehyde was formed first and then converted to the thioaldehyde. Liquid hydrogen sulfide and acetylene combine to a small ex-

tent.⁸¹ Thioacetaldehyde may be made by bringing these two reactants together in the presence of a solvent, such as water or dioxane, under 10 to 20 atmospheres pressure. A catalyst such as potassium hydrosulfide may be added.^{93, 94} Trimeric thioacetaldehyde has been prepared by saturating butyl-vinyl ether with hydrogen chloride and then with hydrogen sulfide at -10° .^{157, 190}

Chloral and hydrogen sulfide form an addition product: 84, 134, 149, 223

$$2 \text{ Cl}_3\text{CCHO} + \text{H}_2\text{S} \rightarrow [\text{Cl}_3\text{CCH(OH)}]_2\text{S}$$

When this is dissolved in conc. sulfuric acid and the solution kept 24 hours at room temperature two compounds are obtained one in α - and β -forms.

These are dehydrochlorinated by sodium ethylate to IV and V. Sodium acetate removes only one HCl from II, giving VI.

Chlorination of these gives the perchlor compounds.

Oxidation of II does not give a stable sulfone but oxidation of VI with hydrogen peroxide yields a mono-sulfone m. 167°. The chemistry of this group is complicated.⁴⁵

HIGHER THIOALDEHYDES

An unpleasant smelling oil was obtained from *i*-butyraldehyde and hydrogen sulfide but was not characterized.^{54a, 54b, 153} The same can be said of propionaldehyde.^{54a, 54b} *i*-Valderaldehyde and hydrogen sulfide gave a thioaldehyde C₄H₉CHS, m. 69°, which was considered to be monomolecular in spite of the fact

that it was a solid. This preparation was repeated later but no further information was given. Thio-i-valeraldehyde, b. 114–5°, has been reported from i-valeraldehyde and HSMgBr. Heating i-valeraldehyde with sulfur to 250° gave a sulfur containing liquid supposed to be the thioaldehyde boiling at 114–5° along with i-valeric acid. In each case the supposed thioaldehyde was probably the mercaptan. A product melting at 94.5° having the composition, C₅H₆S₃, called trithiovaleraldehyde, was isolated. As has been stated in chapter 1 on Cyclic Sulfides, this has been identified as a trithione.

Hydrogen selenide and *i*-valeraldehyde gave a compound, m. 56.5°, considered to be $C_4H_9CHSe.^{118}$

The action of ammonium hydrosulfide on dichloracetic acid gives rise to an acid, C₂H₂SO₂·H₂O, m. 88–9°, lead salt, (CHSCO₂)₂Pb. The free acid is volatile and unstable. Its high melting point suggests that it is a trimer.²⁷ The lead salt and ethyl ester, b_{3.6} 61°, of this acid have been similarly prepared and desulfurized to OCHCOOH indicating the formula, SCH-COOH, or a polymer of this.³⁶ Anthraquinonylglycines have been prepared by the reaction of this acid on reduced aminoanthraquinones.⁵⁷

Unsaturated Thioaldehydes

Acrolein reacts with one or with two molecules of hydrogen sulfide:

Thioacrolein, CH₂:CHCHS, is made by heating glycerol with sulfur at 175–200° under 20 lbs. pressure. Unsaturated aldehydes are transformed into unsaturated thioaldehydes by treating them with hydrogen sulfide in a neutral medium.^{51, 147, 152} Thioacrolein is said to be germicidal, non-poisonous and suitable for therapeutic uses.¹⁴⁷

ARYL THIOALDEHYDES

These have been synthesized in considerable number and variety. The method that has been used in most cases is to saturate an alcoholic solution of the aldehyde, containing more

or less hydrochloric acid, with hydrogen sulfide. Usually three products are obtained: α - and β -forms of the cyclic trimer and a mixture of linear polymers. The monomers, which must be formed transiently, trimerize or polymerize instantly. High acidity and high temperature favor the formation of the β -isomer which is believed to be the cis-trans form and is the more stable. If the acidity is lowered so as to obtain more of the α -form, which is considered to be the cis isomer, linear polymerization is apt to take place. The α - and β -isomers are usually separated by crystallization from suitable solvents. When there is no evidence to the contrary, the less soluble, more stable isomer, is assumed to be the β -, or cis-trans, form.

By adding ammonium sulfide to an alcoholic solution of benzaldehyde, Laurent in 1841 obtained a mixture from which a compound, melting at 90–95° and having the composition C₇H₆S was isolated.¹¹⁷ What may have been the same compound was prepared using potassium pentasulfide.¹⁶⁵ Fifty years later it was characterized as a linear polymer of thiobenzaldehyde. The formula assigned to it was (C₆H₅CHS)₁₀,^{13a}, ^{13b}, ^{13e} but according to present knowledge of polymers this is to be understood as meaning a mixture having that average composition. By passing hydrogen sulfide into an alcoholic solution of nitrated benzaldehyde a polymeric thionitrobenzaldehyde was obtained as an amorphous, insoluble powder.²⁴ This was prepared later by another method.^{137b} Phosphorus pentasulfide converts aromatic aldehydes and ketones to the thio-.²⁶

Of the two cyclic trithiobenzaldehydes, the β -form, melting at 226°, was the first to be isolated. Further experiments led to the isolation of the α -form, m. 167°. The two isomers have been studied and reaction conditions found under which either of them can be prepared in high yield. They are separated by crystallization. The α -isomer is 55 times as soluble in chloroform and 435 times as soluble in benzene at 25° as the β -isomer. The α -isomer can be converted into the more stable β -form by heating with an acid catalyst. If the reaction is carried out in a low concentration of acid, gummy linear polymers of thiobenzaldehyde result. In alkaline solution benzyl mercaptan and dithiobenzoic acid are by-products. These may be supposed to result from the Cannizzaro reaction of the nascent thiobenz-

aldheyde.^{221a} The accepted method of preparation is to pass hydrogen sulfide into an alcoholic solution of benzaldehyde saturated with hydrogen chloride.^{112, 221a}

A comprehensive study has been made of the preparation of the α- and β-isomers of a number of substituted trithiobenzaldehydes. The results showed that the two forms can be obtained only when the substituent is positive or neutral. When a negative substituent is present the lower melting, more soluble α-isomer can not be obtained. This is true of the hydroxybenzaldehydes unless the phenolic group is alkylated.²¹⁸ Linear polymers are apt to form when negative groups are present. A large number of preparations have been made.^{13d, 95, 113b} The two forms of 2,4,6-tribenzyl-s-trithiane have been prepared, α- m. 123°, β-169°.⁵³ Recently both forms of each of the nine chloro-, bromo-, and iodo-benzaldehydes have been isolated.¹⁹⁷

From aldehydes derived from polynuclear aromatics such as naphthalene, anthracene and phenanthrene linearly polymeric thials are produced rather than the cyclic trimers. The idea back of the choice of these aldehydes for study was that their large aryl groups might prevent polymerization so that monomeric thials might be isolated. As first obtained the 2-ethoxy-1-thionaphthaldehyde appeared to be monomeric.^{220, 221b}

Mesityl aldehyde (2,4,6-trimethyl benzaldehyde)⁶⁹ and 9-phenanthrene aldehyde²² gave only the β-trithials but anisaldehyde,^{13c, 13e} furfural,^{13c, 13e, 38a} and 2-thiophenealdehyde²⁰³ give both isomers. Thiofurfural has been obtained by sealing up furfural and liquid hydrogen sulfide in a tube and letting this stand at room temperature.^{28, 132}

What appeared to be a polymeric thial resulted from passing hydrogen sulfide into an alcoholic solution of 2-ethyl-4-methoxy-benzaldehyde containing a trace of piperidine. Thiobenzaldehyde and stilbene were obtained by heating benzaldehyde with sulfur. Thiocinnamic aldehyde is one of the products when allylbenzene is heated with sulfur. 210

The reaction of benzal chloride with a metal sulfide looks like a plausible way to prepare thiobenzaldehyde:

$$PhCHCl_2 + Na_2S \rightarrow PhCHS + 2 NaCI$$

Several early investigators tried this reaction and got what must have been thiobenzaldehyde polymers. 16, 38b, 63 This method has

been used recently.^{221a} When an excess of potassium sulfide was used benzyl disulfide and dithiobenzoic acid were isolated indicating that thiobenzaldehyde had been formed but had undergone the Cannizzaro reaction.^{110d}

A thioaldehyde may be an intermediate in the Willgerodt reaction. 108a

Thioketones

ALIPHATIC THIONES

The regulation method of preparing a thicketone is to saturate the ketone, or a solution of it, with hydrogen chloride and hydrogen sulfide. Acetone, 65, 112 methyl ethyl ketone, 35, 119 cyclohexanone, 64c, 158b, 189a, 189c, 189d cyclopentanone, 64c, 189a, 189c, 189d pulegone, 64c camphor, 158b, 189a, 189c, 189d fenchone, 189a, 189c, 189d benzophenone,200a and other ketones 30 have been converted to thicketones in this way. The thicketones from acetone,65 methyl ethyl ketone, 19 cyclopentanone, 1-indaneone, 1-tetralone, 3-Me-tetralone,41 and pulegone 64c were found to be trimeric, the ones from camphor, mono-, di- or tri-meric, from cyclohexanone, mono-158b or trimeric, 64c, 189a, 189c, 189d from fluorenone, mono-42 or dimeric, 19, 42 from 3-Me-1-indanone, mono- or trimeric, 41 and the ones from benzophenone 30, 200a and 3-Ph-1-indanone monomeric only. Acetylacetone, hydrogen sulfide, and hydrogen chloride give a mixture of two isomeric dithioketones of the composition, C₁₀H₁₆O₂S₂. Tricyclic structures have been proposed for these.³³ Treating chloroacetone with hydrogen chloride and hydrogen sulfide gives a compound which was supposed to be the dithioketosulfide, (MeCSCH₂)₂S,³⁵ but which has been shown to be 2,6-dimethyl-(2,6-endo-sulfido)-1,4-dithiane.²⁵ tones suitable for use as fungicides and insecticides are produced from ketones and hydrogen sulfide in the presence of a dehydration catalyst.215

The thioketones obtained by treating ketones with hydrogen sulfide and hydrochloric acid are frequently impure owing to incompleteness in the replacement of oxygen by sulfur. A method which gives exceptionally pure products is the treatment of a ketone chloride with thioacetic acid: 109, 141, 185, 196a

The ketone chloride may be prepared from the ketone and phosgene: 109

$$RR'CO + COCl_2 \rightarrow RR'CCl_2 + CO_2$$

The chloride from benzophenone reacts with alkali sulfide or hydrosulfide to give a good yield of thiobenzophenone: 15, 56a, 71, 200a, 200c

$$Ph_2CCl_2 + 2 NaSH \rightarrow Ph_2CS + 2 NaCl + H_2S$$

The thioketone, Me₂CHCSCO₂H, results from the treatment of isopropylidene-rhodanine with sodium hydroxide.¹²⁵

Refluxing ethyl β -chlorocrotonate with potassium hydrosulfide gives thioacetoacetic ester: 62, 137c, 158a

This is an orange colored liquid, b₁₅ 75°, d 31/4 1.0554, n 26/D 1.4712.^{137a, 137b, 137c} It can be alkylated and evolves hydrogen sulfide with phenylhydrazine and hydroxylamine. A much better yield is obtained by passing hydrogen sulfide into an alcoholic solution of acetoacetic ester saturated with hydrogen chloride. Its dipole moment has been measured in several solvents.⁶² Analogous thioketo esters can be made from alkyl acetoacetic esters and from acetylmalonic ester. These exist partly in the "enol" form, MeC(SH):CRCO₂Et, the proportion of which is greater in the substituted esters.^{137a, 137b, 137c, 158a, 159}

The interesting thing about thioacetoacetic ester is that it reacts with aldehydes to give high yields of thioaldehydes. ^{158a} Trithioformaldehyde, trithiobenzaldehyde, trithioanisaldehyde and trithiovanilline have been prepared in this way. ^{137a, 137b, 137c}

From ethyl β-chloro-isocrotonate a stereoisomeric ester, MeC-(SH):CHCO₂Et, b₁₈ 77°, d 29.5/4 1.0747, has been prepared.¹⁶⁶.

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A different method is the treatment of a ketone with ammonium sulfide. Acetone gave a product melting at 98° and boiling at 243°,²¹⁴ compared with 24° and 225–30°, for that obtained in the presence of hydrochloric acid. By heating camphor with ammonium sulfide, mixtures have been obtained from which thiocamphor has been isolated.^{168, 222} Benzylidene-acetone, with ammonia and hydrogen sulfide, gives a mixture which has been

difficult to handle. Its chief constituent has been found to be duplobenzylidenedithioacetonamine.^{64a, 64b, 66, 67b}

Magnesium bromohydrosulfide, BrMgSH, can be used to convert acetone into trithioacetone: ^{135b}

$$\text{Me}_2\text{CO} + 2 \text{ HSMgBr} \rightarrow \text{Me}_2\text{C(SMgBr)}_2 \rightarrow \text{Me}_2\text{CS} + \text{MgS} + \text{MgBr}_2$$

Thioketones appear to be intermediates in the Willgerodt reaction.^{43, 108b}

Acetone ethyl mercaptole breaks down into thioacetone and ethyl sulfide. 12a

By heating acetone with phosphorus pentasulfide a product, boiling at 183-5°, has been obtained. This has been called "duplosulfacetone" since its analysis and molecular weight correspond to the formula, $(C_3H_6S)_2$.²¹⁶ As it is believed to have a cyclic structure, it has been considered under cyclic sulfides in chapter 1. A number of thioketones have been prepared similarly. Those from dimethyl, methylethyl, and diethyl ketones are dimers, the one from dipropyl a mixture of monomer and dimer, and the one from di-t-butyl, a monomer.¹¹⁵

Dimethyl pyrondicarboxylate, heated with phosphorus pentasulfide, is transformed into the corresponding thio-compound.⁸³ Pyridone ¹⁶¹ and piperidone ^{114, 161} give similar results. Thiomenthone, C₁₀H₁₈S, b. 217–20°, d₁₅ 0.9398, was prepared by heating menthone with phosphorus trisulfide. Camphor, methylhexanone, ¹⁹⁵ caffeine, and theobromine ¹⁰⁷ react similarly.

Thioketones, suitable for sensitizing photographic silver halides, are said to be produced by heating a vinyl halide with a metal sulfide.¹¹¹

ALKYL ARYL THIONES

The only member of this group that has received much attention is thioacetophenone, which is of special interest since it can be obtained in both the monomeric and trimeric forms.

When hydrogen sulfide reacts with acetophenone, in alcohol in the presence of hydrogen chloride, four products can be obtained: monomeric thioacetophenone, its trimer, anhydrotriacetophenone, and a green resin. In the usual preparation the solution takes on an intense blue-violet color, indicating the presence of the monomer. On standing, the solution loses its color, and white crystals of the trimer are deposited. The anhy-

drothioacetophenone has the composition, $C_{24}H_{22}S_2$, which differs from that of trithioacetophenone, $C_{24}H_{24}S_3$ by one molecule of hydrogen sulfide. The reaction can be so conducted that the anhydrothioacetophenone is the chief product. It is well known that two molecules of acetophenone condense to dypnone:

$$PhCOCH_3 + CH_3COPh \rightarrow PhCOCH:C(CH_3)Ph + H_2O$$

It seems likely that the compound in question is formed by the addition of monomeric thioacetophenone to thiodypnone.

Trithioacetophenone crystallizes from alcohol in needles which melt at 122° to a colorless liquid. On further heating it turns green, then deep blue, and at about 185° gives off hydrogen sulfide and a bluish-violet vapor. There should be two isomeric forms, but only one is known. It has not been oxidised to a sulfone. This vapor can be condensed to a blue liquid which is probably the monomer. It can not be purified on account of its instability. On distillation it gives a number of products: styrene, ethylbenzene, 2,4-diphenylthiophene, and sulfur. Under the influence of acids it trimerizes. Boiling with water converts it to acetophenone. ^{12c, 53} 2-Acetylthiophene give 2-thienyl-methylthione, a violet oil, which appears to be the monomer. ²⁰³

Magnesium bromohydrosulfide converts acetophenone into the thione. Heating ethyl cinnamate with sulfur produces a compound which, when pyrolyzed, gives thioacetophenone and 2,3-diphenylthiophene. From acetophenone and ammonium sulf-hydrate a compound was obtained which was thought to be a thioketone 56b, 126 but was finally shown to be 2,3-diphenylthiophene. The possible presence of thioketo groups in vulcanized rubber has been studied. 55, 97, 98, 101, 148

ARYL THIONES

Thiobenzophenone was first prepared by saturating a cold alcoholic solution of benzophenone with hydrogen chloride and hydrogen sulfide. It was obtained as deep blue needles, melting at 52°. It is sensitive to air oxidation and must be handled in an atmosphere of carbon dioxide.^{200a} Various reagents reconvert it to benzophenone.⁹⁹ In an attempt to prepare phenyl-2-thienyl-thione, in the same way, a green oil was obtained which was not characterized.²⁰³ Phenyl-diphenylthione, phenyl-α-naphthylthi-

one and phenyl-p-tolythione have been made by this method. They are stable monomers.³⁰

Benzophenone is obtained readily from benzene and phosgene by the Friedel and Crafts reaction. This does not go so well with thiophosgene, but some thiobenzophenone seems to have been obtained in this way.²³ However, alkoxy- and dialkylaminobenzenes are readily converted to the corresponding substituted thiobenzophenones by this means.^{70, 106, 177}

Some ketone-imides can be split by hydrogen sulfide ^{59, 77b, 78, 124, 160} or by carbon disulfide:

Auramine is converted to the thioketone, (Me₂NC₆H₄)₂CS, by hydrogen sulfide.^{59, 77a, 207} 4-Chloroquinoline-methiodide and sodium sulfhydrate give 1-methyl-4(1 H)-quinolinethione.⁴⁰ In a few cases sulfur changes a methylene group to a thiocarbonyl: ^{7b, 55, 138, 212}

$$(Me_2NC_8H_4)_2CH_2 + 2S \rightarrow (Me_2NC_8H_4)_2CS + H_2S$$

Acridine takes up sulfur at 200° to form thioacridone.⁹⁶ Dixanthylene seems to be the only stilbene derivative that can be sulfurized directly to the thioketone: ¹⁷⁷

$$O \xrightarrow{C_6 H_4} C: C \xrightarrow{C_6 H_4} O + 2S \rightarrow 2O \xrightarrow{C_6 H_4} CS$$

Certain methylene compounds are said to be converted to dithioketones by sulfur monochloride: 142, 143, 144

$$(\mathsf{RNHCO})_2\mathsf{CH}_2 \quad + \quad \mathsf{Cl}_2\mathsf{S}_2 \qquad \rightarrow \qquad (\mathsf{RNHCO})_2\mathsf{C:S:S} \quad + \quad \mathsf{2}\;\mathsf{HCl}$$

The structural formulae given for the products require confirmation. Phenyl benzyl ketone is converted to a trimeric thicketone by thiophosgene, SCCl₂. ¹³³

Michler's ketone can be transformed into the corresponding thicketone by heating with phosphorus pentasulfide.^{7a}

Thioketones are produced by the thermal decomposition of certain sulfides, disulfides, and thioketals. A sort of disproportionation takes place with dixanthyl sulfide in boiling benzene: 182

Bornyl disulfide gives thiocamphor and bornyl mercaptan: 89, 164, 222

$$C_9H_{18}CHS \cdot SCHC_9H_{16} \rightarrow C_9H_{18}CS + C_9H_{16}CHSH$$

Dibenzhydryl disulfide breaks down into thiobenzophenone and diphenylmethane with loss of sulfur: ²²²

$$Ph_2CHS \cdot SCHPh_2 \rightarrow Ph_2CS + Ph_2CH_2 + S$$

Benzyl mercaptoles of aromatic ketones are thermally unstable. They give thicketones and decomposition products of benzyl sulfide ^{180, 181}

Reactions of Thials and Thiones

GENERAL

With reagents such as hydroxylamine and phenylhydrazine, which remove the carbonyl oxygen from aldehydes and ketones, the reactions of thials and thiones are similar:

RCHO
$$+$$
 H_2 NOH \rightarrow RCH:NOH $+$ H_2 Orchs $+$ H_2 NOH \rightarrow RCH:NOH $+$ H_2 S

They are easier to follow since the hydrogen sulfide that is given off is a measure of their progress.^{8, 24, 78, 116, 160, 193, 222} The reaction of vulcanized rubber with hydrazine has been attributed to the presence of thioketone groups.^{97, 102}

OXIDATION

Thiobenzophenone, unlike other diaryl thioketones, is easily oxidised by air even at room temperature. The chief product is benzophenone ^{15, 71, 175} but there is a curious by-product, Ph₂C:-S₃:CPh₂, a trisulfide to which different formulae have been assigned. Sulfur and sulfur dioxide are also formed.^{71, 184, 185, 200a, 200b} The oxidation is catalyzed by light. This conversion of a thioketone to a ketone by oxidising agents must be connected with the ability of bivalent sulfur to take up oxygen.²⁰⁶ Triethylphosphine aids the oxidation.¹⁷⁴ In contrast to this, p-dianisylthioketone is unaffected when air is bubbled through its boiling toluene solution.¹⁷⁴ This thione and dimethylaminobenzothione are stable to oxygen in the dark but not in sunlight, while N-phenylthioacridone, 4-thioflavone, and 2,6-diphenylthiopyrone are stable even in sunlight.¹⁷⁵

Dimethoxythiobenzophenone, (MeOC₆H₄)₂CS, is converted to the oxygen compound by hydrogen peroxide.¹⁰⁹ The same is true of thiobenzophenone. The sulfur goes to the sulfate ion.^{100, 102, 103}

Hydrolysis

Thioketones are hydrolyzed to ketones by water either in the absence ⁴⁴ or presence of acids or bases.^{99, 137a} Some benzophenone is formed when thiobenzophenone is heated with water: ⁷⁰

$$Ph_2CS + H_2O \rightarrow Ph_2CO + H_2S$$

This reaction is aided by dilute nitric, 110b hydrochloric, or sulfuric acid. Alkali may lead to the same result: 71

$$Ph_2CS + 2KOH \rightarrow Ph_2CO + K_2S + H_2O$$

Diphenylthioketene is unstable and polymerizes immediately. The polymer probably has the structure, $[C(:CPh_2)S\cdot]_n$.²⁰¹

DESULFURIZATION

Thials and thiones lose sulfur, when heated, forming ethylene derivatives: 127, 137b

2 RHCS
$$\rightarrow$$
 RHC:CRH $+$ 2 S 2 RR'CS \rightarrow RR'C:CRR' $+$ 2 S

The dry distillation of thiobenzaldehyde gives stilbene, a part of which is converted to tetraphenylthiophene by the sulfur. ^{13e, 14, 15, 63, 88, 200a, 221a} A number of trimeric aromatic thials have been converted to stilbenes by heating. In the case of o-methoxythio-benzaldehyde the conversion to tetra-o-methoxyphenylthiophene is complete at 145°. ^{113a, 113b} A large variety of heterocyclic thiones have been studied. There are wide differences in their stabilities. ^{2, 3, 4, 171, 175} Sulfur is eliminated similarly from the diaryl thiones. Thiobenzophenone gives off its sulfur at 170° leaving tetraphenylethylene: ^{15, 200a}

Some derivatives of 4-thiopyrone lose the sulfur on standing at room temperature.4

In a few cases the sulfur of a thicketone may be removed by the hydrogen of an activated methylene group such as is found in fluorene 177 or in xanthene: 182

While the sulfur can be driven off, it is better to take it off by some metal that combines with it readily:

$$2 R_2 CS + 2 CU \rightarrow R_2 C: CR_2 + 2 CUS$$

Activated copper is the metal commonly used; but iron, zinc, and nickel have been found to be effective. 10, 22, 69, 70, 71, 110a, 122, 141, 163, 173, 203, 216, 220 Even cyclic trimers undergo this reaction. Trithiobenzaldehyde is converted to stilbene: 10, 110a, 220

2 (PhCHS)₃ + 6 Cu
$$\rightarrow$$
 3 PhCH:CHPh + 6 CuS

Trithioacetone,²¹⁶ trithiovanilline,⁰⁰⁰ trithioveratraldehyde,¹⁶³ trithiomesitaldehyde,⁶⁹ and trithiothiophene aldehyde ²⁰⁸ are converted to the corresponding stilbene derivatives by heating with copper powder. With the aromatic thioketones, where there are two aryl groups on one carbon atom and no cyclization, the removal of sulfur is even simpler. Boiling a xylene solution of a thioketone with copper powder is a recognized method of preparing substituted stilbenes.^{70, 71, 173} By treating certain thiopiperidones with a metal oxide and ammonia the sulfur atom is replaced by the imino group.⁷²

REDUCTION OF THIONES

By the Clemmensen method phenylthiopyruvic acid is completely desulfurized.⁷⁹ Thioborneol is reduced to bornyl mercaptan.^{189a, 189b} Xanthione is reduced to 9,9'-dixanthyl.¹⁸² p,p'-Tetramethyldiaminodiphenylmethane is obtained from the thioketone.⁸ By sodium amalgam, phenylthiopyruvic acid is converted to the mercapto-acid ⁷⁹ and dithioacetone to *i*-propyl mercaptan.^{196b} Thiofenchone is reduced by aluminum amalgam in ether to fenchyl mercaptan.^{164, 189d} Curiously enough, hydrogen sulfide may remove the sulfur from thiobenzophenone: ¹⁶⁰

$$Ph_2CS + H_2S \rightarrow Ph_2CH_2 + 2S$$

The same thione is reduced by ammonium sulfide to the disulfide, Ph₂CHS·SCHPh₂. This is true of other diaryl thiones.²⁰ Hydrogenation with Raney nickel converts trithioacetophenone to symmetrical dimethyldiphenyl stilbene.⁴⁸ Thioketones are reduced by

Raney nickel to the hydrocarbons.³² Hydrogenation gives the mercaptan: ⁵⁸

$$H_2 + Ar_2CS \rightarrow Ar_2CHSH$$

Hydrogenation of thiobenzophenone over a ruthenium catalyst gives much dibenzyl and some stilbene.⁴⁹

OTHER REACTIONS

A metalo-organic compound may add to a thicketone as it would to an ordinary ketone: 19, 21

$$\mathsf{Ph_2CS} \ + \ \mathsf{NaCHPh_2} \ \to \ \mathsf{Ph_2C(SNa)CHPh_2}$$

Hydrolysis gives a tertiary mercaptan which may lose hydrogen sulfide: 17, 19

$$ArC(SH)CHAr_2 \rightarrow H_2S + Ar_2C:CAr_2$$

Tetra-arylethylene sulfides may result from the reaction of a Grignard reagent on a diaryl thioketone:

In some cases the sulfur is thrown out, leaving a tetra-arylethylene, Ar₂C:CAr₂.^{177, 178} The same products can be gotten with magnesium iodide and magnesium.¹⁸³ A similar tetraphenylethylene sulfide, which loses sulfur in the same way, results from the reaction of thiobenzophenone with diphenyldiazomethane.²⁰² Diaryl thiones react with diazomethane, diazoethane, or diazoacetic ester, to give a cyclic thial with two sulfur atoms in the ring: ^{20, 131, 172}

This ring may contract to the ethylene sulfide ring with the elimination of a molecule of the aryl thione: 176

It seems possible that the usual sequence of events is the formation of the five membered ring, the transformation of this into the three membered ethylene sulfide ring, and the elimination of sulfur to give the stilbene as the final product.

The sulfur is eliminated when a diaryl thione is treated with phenylazide 187 or isocyanate: 199

The reaction with diphenyl ketene looks to be similar but is supposed to go through a cyclic intermediate: 198, 200a

$$Ar_2CS + OC:CPh_2 \rightarrow Ar_2C:CPh_2 + COS$$

The > C:S group is detected and estimated by its influence on the reaction of sodium azide and iodine: 60, 61

$$2 \text{ NaN}_3 + \text{I}_2 \rightarrow 2 \text{ NaI} + 3 \text{ N}_2$$

In this it is less efficient than the mercaptan group but more so than the disulfide.⁶

COMPLEXES WITH METAL SALTS

The addition compounds of trithioformaldehyde and trithioacetaldehyde have been considered briefly in the chapter on cyclic sulfides.

The monomolecular thiones form colored complexes with a wide variety of heavy metal salts. The ratio of thione to metal may vary with the method of preparation. It is curious that two or even three molecules of a thione may unite with a single molecule of a metal salt. There are color shifts when these complexes are formed. In spite of the amount of study that has been put on these complexes their constitution is not yet clear. 145, 154, 177, 186, 192 Thio-Michler's ketone is an analytical reagent for certain heavy metals. Isonitrosothiocamphor is a sensitive reagent for cobalt. 189b

Structure of Thioketones

The dipole moments of several thioketones have been contrasted with those of the corresponding ketones; the value for a thione is about half a unit greater than that for its oxygen counterpart. This is taken to show a structural difference between the C:O and C:S groups.^{18, 52, 90, 191}

There are anomalies in the magnetic rotation dispersion of thiobenzophenone.⁵⁰ This thione is diamagnetic with a mass

susceptibility of -0.677. The magnetic test is not decisive for biradicals.¹

The bond energy for the C=O group is 152 kg.-cal. while that for the C=S group is much less, 103. The single bond C—O is 70; 2×70 is 140 which is less than 152, indicating the stability of the carbonyl group. With sulfur the single bond, C—S, is 54.5 and 2×54.5 , 109, is greater than 103. This is in accordance with the tendency of thioaldehydes and aliphatic thioketones to trimerize by which carbon-sulfur double bonds are converted to single. The interatomic distances, 1.61 Å for C=S and 1.26 for C=O are in accordance with the bond strengths. 150, 151 The refractivity of the sulfur is 9.70.31 Trithioacetone has been considered an equilibrium mixture of three structural forms. 104

Practically all of the monomeric thiones are colored. The development of color in the trimer is taken to indicate its dissociation into a monomer. Thus the color of a xylene solution of trithioacetophenone deepens on heating and becomes pale on cooling. Similar color changes have been noted for other thiones. 46, 146 It is a curious fact that the introduction of an auxochrome group may lighten, rather than deepen, the color of thiobenzophenone. This indicates that the origin of the color in thiobenzophenone is different from what it is in malachite green. 18, 20, 202, 204

The absorption spectra of a number of thiones have been studied and compared with those of the ketones.^{30, 37, 52, 120b, 123, 189d} The absorption band is shifted toward the red by the sulfur.³⁷ The long wave length absorptions of the thiones have been tabulated and compared to those of their oxygen analogs.¹²³ The ultraviolet curves of the sulfur and oxygen compounds are decidedly different, indicating different structures for the C=O and C=S groups.⁵² The color characteristics of aryl thiones suggest a kinship with the triarylmethyls and indicate the presence of free radicals.²⁰

The phosphorescence of thiobenzophenone has been attributed to its triplet, or biradical state. The abnormal colors of the monomeric thiones appear to be due to the absorption from the singlet to the triplet state. 105, 120a, 120b

Thioketones and Free Radicals

Schönberg ^{170b} has called attention to the many analogies between thicketones and triarylmethyl compounds. The substitu-

ents which increase the stability of free radicals have the same effect on thione monomers. The fact that diphenyl disulfide, PhS·SPh, does not obey Beer's law at somewhat elevated temperatures, indicates that it tends to dissociate into free radicals: ¹⁷⁹

In thiobenzophenone the fourth valence of the carbon atom and the second of the sulfur may be considered as weak and represented by a thin valence line. The double bond would tend to become a single bond joining two free radicals, somewhat like Thiele's partial valencies:

The equilibrium between these two would be determined by the nature and size of the two radicals joined to the carbon atom. The biradical would tend to combine with other biradicals, as in the trimerization of thioketones, which in turn might dissociate. Attention is called to the fact that a free radical does not exist of and by itself. The strength of a bond depends not upon what is at one end, but upon the two groups which it joins. Thus triphenylmethyl chloride is stable but hexaphenylethane, in which one potential free radical is joined to another, is unstable. Diphenyl ketone is stable and colorless, but diphenyl thioketone is colored and tends to dissociate ²⁰ because both ends of the potential biradical tend to become free radicals.

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Sulfide-Acids

These are acids such as ethylmercaptoacetic, EtSCH₂CO₂H, or ethylmercaptobenzoic, EtSC₆H₄CO₂H, in which there is a sulfide grouping and also a carboxyl. As neither of these interferes with the reactions of the other, sulfide-acids have the two sets of characteristics. As acids they resemble closely acids of similar structure and molecular weight that do not contain sulfur. A similar statement can be made about them as sulfides.

Sulfide-acids may be synthesized by any of the methods that are appropriate for sulfides. The chief of these are the reaction of an alkyl halide with a mercaptide and the addition of a merceptan to an unsaturate. In each of these the carboxyl group may be in either the one or the other of the reactants. If both contain carboxyls the product will be a dibasic acid. The following reactions are typical:

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CICH<sub>9</sub>CO<sub>9</sub>Na
                                                                            BuSCH_2CO_2Na
BuSNa
                                                                                                                    NaCl
                       NaSCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>Na
                                                                            BuSCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>Na
                                                                                                                    NaBr
            +
                       H<sub>2</sub>C:CHCO<sub>2</sub>H
                                                                     PhSCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H
PhCH:CH<sub>2</sub> + HSCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H
                                                                                PhCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H
NaO_2CCH_2SNa + CICH_2CO_2Na
                                                                               NaO<sub>2</sub>CCH<sub>2</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>Na + NaCl
HO_2CCH_2SH + H_2C:CHCO_2H
                                                                                      HO<sub>2</sub>CCH<sub>2</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H
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Another way to make a sulfide-acid is to introduce a carboxyl into a sulfide by any appropriate method.

The methyl ester of a sulfide-acid, MeSCH₂CH₂CO₂Me, has been isolated from pineapples, 1 g. from 1000 kg. of the pulp. Its constitution has been confirmed by synthesis.¹⁷⁷ As will appear

later in this volume, methionine, an important constituent of proteins, is an aminosulfide-acid.

Syntheses

FROM A MERCAPTIDE AND A HALOACID

The simplest sulfide-acids are the alkyl thioglycolic acids, RSCH₂CO₂H, and their alkyl derivatives, RSCHR'CO₂H and RSCR'R"CO₂H, which are obtained readily by the reaction of a mercaptan with chloracetic acid, or one of its alkyl derivatives, in alkaline solution. The first member of this series, CH₃SCH₂-CO₂H, was gotten from iodoacetic acid and methyl disulfide but just how is not clear.²⁸⁰

An aqueous solution of the sodium salt of the halogen acid is added to an alkaline solution of the mercaptan. The reaction is rapid, even below room temperature. The mixture may be left overnight or warmed to insure the completion of the reaction. Volatile impurities, such as an excess of the mercaptan, may be removed by steam distillation. The remaining solution is filtered and acidified. Extraction with ether is desirable for acids containing small alkyls. The yields are high. To avoid air-oxidation of the mercaptan, which is rapid in alkaline solution, the mercaptan should be added to the alkali just before the final mixing. Or the halogen acid, the mercaptan, and water may be mixed and the alkali added. 352, 425, 426, 427 Better results are obtained by adding a concentrated aqueous solution of the sodium mercaptide, dropwise with stirring, to a concentrated solution of sodium chloracetate, cooled below O°. This minimizes the alkaline hydrolysis of the halide acid. After standing overnight the mixture may be heated. 334a, 334b In the preparation of butyl- and benzyl-thioglycolamides, from the sodium mercaptides in absolute alcohol and chloracetamide, excellent vields were obtained when the mixtures were kept cold, as above, but poor yields when they were heated at once.117, 424 A number of alkylthioglycolic amides, RSCHR'CONH2, in which R is ethyl, propyl, and butyl and R' is methyl and ethyl have been made. 334a, 334b Arylmercaptoacetic acids have been prepared from benzyl mercaptan and from thioresorcinol. 154a

The halogen acid and the mercaptan may be dissolved in a basic liquid, such as pyridine or piperidine, which serves as a solvent and an acid binding agent.⁴⁰⁹

β-Propiolactone reacts with a sodium mercaptide, as if it were a β-halopropionic acid, to give an alkyl- or arylmercaptopropionic acid. A number of aliphatic, 172a several aromatic, 171, 172a and thiazolyl mercaptans 166b, 172c, 231 have been used with it. The acid, PhNHC(:NH)SCH₂CH₂CO₂H, has been made from it and thiourea. 172d γ-Butyrolactone reacts similarly. 15, 254, 332, 416 Other acids of this group have been made from β-chloropropionic acid and methyl, 177 ethyl, 94 phenyl, 143 and p-nitrophenyl 35 mercaptans. The ethyl, 112 propyl, 406 butyl, 112 and p-bromophenyl 74 acids, RSCH₂CH₂CO₂H, have been made from β-bromopropionic acid and the mercaptans. To check these, the ethyl and butyl acids were made from the alkyl halides and β-mercaptopropionic acid. 112 Some other acids are PhSCHMeCO₂H, 343 PhSCMePh-CO₂H, 49 and PhCH₂SCHEtCO₂H. 62 The acid, m-C₆H₄(SCH₂-CH₂CO₂H)₂, has been made from dithioresorcinol. 138

A large number of alkyl and aryl mercapto-acetic acids and derivatives have been prepared in a study of the biosynthesis of penicillins. Many of them are utilized by molds to produce a variety of new penicillins.^{32, 34, 143, 394} For a study of antiseptic properties acids RSCHR'CO₂H, in which R was dodecyl, tetradecyl, or cetyl and R' hydrogen or an alkyl, were prepared from the α -bromoacid and a mercaptide.¹⁹⁶ A series of acids, Me(CH₂)_nS(CH₂)_mCO₂H, in which n varied from 0 to 9 and m from 1 to 10 and n + m = 10, has been reported. Some of these were from the haloacids and mercaptides, some from the halides and mercaptoacids.³⁴⁵

Esters of alkylmercaptoacetic acids have been made from alkyl haloacetates and sodium mercaptides in alcohol solution: 91, 246, 250a, 250a, 250b, 298, 429, 445

The proper way to carry out this reaction is to dissolve a weighed amount of sodium in absolute alcohol, cool in ice, and add the calculated amount of the mercaptan at once. The formation of the sodium mercaptide is instantaneous on simple mixing. Gradual addition of the mercaptan and heating favor oxidation of the mercaptan by air. The haloester is added at such a rate that the temperature does not rise appreciably. The course of the reaction is observed by the precipitation of sodium halide which usually begins in a few minutes. The reaction mixture is

kept for some hours at room temperature and may then be heated briefly. The sodium halide is filtered off and washed with a little alcohol. The alcoholic solution of the ester is concentrated. To throw out any traces of inorganic salts, the concentrate may be taken up in ether and refiltered, but this is hardly necessary. The concentrate is fractionated. This is suitable for aromatic mercaptans as well as aliphatic.³⁵¹

The reaction of sodium thiophenate with sodium bromoacetate is extremely rapid.¹⁹⁷ Many sulfide-acids have been made from substituted thiophenols and chloracetic acid.^{91, 121, 152, 155, 194, 216, 220, 417} Mercaptoanthraquinones,²⁸⁵ a mercaptoanthracene,¹⁵¹ a mercaptodiphenyl,²¹ a mercaptopyrimidine,^{69, 89, 200} a mercaptobenzothiazole,¹²⁰ and a mercaptoimidazole ¹⁵⁶ have been used in making other sulfide-acids.

In alkaline solution thiophenethiol-2 has been caused to react with ethyl chloracetate ^{73, 81} and thiophenethiol-3 with chloracetic acid.^{59, 81}

A sulfide-acid has been prepared from 2-chloro-5-nitrobenzoic acid and p-chlorothiophenol.²⁶⁴ 4-Alkylmercapto-3-nitrobenzoic acids have been made starting with 3,4-nitrochlorobenzoic acid. These can be reduced to the corresponding aminoacids.¹¹⁵ The diazonium chloride, o-HO₂CC₆H₄N₂Cl, and thiophenol give the acid, o-PhSC₆H₄CO₂H.⁴³⁵ In some cases an alkoxy group can be replaced: ^{97, 98}

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PhSH + EtOCH:CHCO<sub>2</sub>Et \rightarrow PhSCH:CHCO<sub>2</sub>Et + EtOH

Ketosulfide-acids have been made: ^{134}, ^{329}, ^{330}

MeSNa + CICH<sub>2</sub>COCO<sub>2</sub>Na \rightarrow MeSCH<sub>2</sub>COCO<sub>2</sub>Na + NaC
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Frequently sulfide-acids are made by way of the nitriles which are subsequently hydrolyzed: ^{24, 50, 75, 203}

FROM AN ALKYL HALIDE AND A MERCAPTO-ACID

Sulfide-acids can be made, the other way around, by the reaction of an alkyl halide or sulfate with a mercapto acid in alkaline solution: 12, 20, 126, 142, 143, 184b, 192, 206b, 209d, 271a, 273b, 277, 388

The acids, MeSCHMeCO₂H ^{297b} and AmSCH₂CO₂H, ²³⁴ have been prepared in this way. The acid, DL-MeCHPhSCH2CO2H, has been resolved.207a Several alkylthiocrotonic acids have been prepared.9, 80, 369, 370 There has been much interest in determining their configurations.³⁰¹ Nitrophenyl sulfide-acids have been made from nitrophenyl chlorides and thioglycolic acid. 139, 221, 242 The anilide of thioglycolic acid and the toluide of a-mercaptobutyric acid react well with alkyl halides.^{28b, 28d} 2,4-Dinitro-α-naphthylmercaptoacetic acid has been prepared. Its chloride can be condensed to the 1,8-thiolactone.²⁷⁸ In the presence of sodium carbonate, diphenyl iodonium chloride reacts with thioglycolic acid to give phenyl iodide and phenylmercaptoacetic acid. 365 A number of alkylmercaptosuccinic acids. HO₂CCH(SR)CH₂CO₂H. have been prepared from mercaptosuccinic acid and alkyl halides.25, 140a Alkylmercaptocrotonic acid esters can be made from the sodium salt of the thioacetoacetic ester, MeC(SNa):CMe-CO₂Et, and an alkyl sulfate.^{303b}

Aromatic sulfide-acids have been made from mercaptobenzoic acids and alkyl halides ^{115, 116, 405} or sulfates, ^{265, 362} or aryl halides. ^{115, 116, 373} Two thiophene sulfide-acids, C₄H₃S·SC₆H₄CO₂H, have been prepared from 3-bromothiophene and 2-iodothiophene and thiosalicyclic acid. ^{402, 403}

An active halide may react with thioglycolic amide in the absence of alkali: 392

 $\mathsf{PhCOCH}_2\mathsf{Br} \ + \ \mathsf{HSCH}_2\mathsf{CONH}_2 \ \rightarrow \ \mathsf{PhCOCH}_2\mathsf{SCH}_2\mathsf{CONH}_2 \ + \ \mathsf{HBr}$

In some cases an alcohol can be made to react with thiogly-colic acid:

This condensation takes place in the presence of an acid catalyst, such as dilute hydrochloric acid at 100°. This applies to alcohols in which the hydroxyl is labile,²²⁴ such as benzyl,^{205d}. ^{407b} α-methylbenzyl,^{206b}, ^{206c}, ^{209b} phenethyl, and cinnamyl ^{205d}. ^{206b} alcohols, triphenylcarbinol,^{205d} t-butanol,¹⁶, ¹⁸⁷ benzhydrol,¹⁰³, ^{205d} benzoin,³¹, ^{419b} a methanolamide, RCONHCH₂OH,^{391b} and lactic acid.^{270c}

Addition of a Mercaptan to an Unsaturated Acid

The simplest synthesis of a sulfide-acid is the addition of a mercaptan to an unsaturated acid:

 ${\tt PhSH} \ \, + \ \, {\tt H}_2{\tt C:CHCO}_2{\tt H} \qquad \rightarrow \qquad {\tt PhSCH}_2{\tt CH}_2{\tt CO}_2{\tt H}$

The same end result is achieved by starting with acrylonitrile, which is more reactive, and saponifying the nitrile. The addition product of thiophenol and acrylic acid 335c has been shown to be identical with that synthesized from thiophenol and β -chloropropionic acid in alkaline solution. The sulfone of this acid proved to be identical with the sulfone acid from the addition of benzenesulfinic acid to acrylic acid. 212b

Ethyl mercaptan 335c and p-thiocresol 318b have been added to cinnamic acid. With ethyl mercaptan the reaction required several weeks at room temperature. 335c Ethyl mercaptan is usually rather sluggish but it combines with methyl acrylate in the presence of ascaridole and ultraviolet light or of trimethylbenzylammonium hydroxide. The product is methyl \beta-ethylmercaptopropionate, EtSCH₂CH₂CO₂Me.²⁴³ Mercaptans have been added to acrylic. 33, 94, 217b, 235 maleic. 87, 217b, 235, 310a, 444 methacrylic. 62, ^{217b} β,β-dimethylacrylic ⁴⁰⁸ and crotonic ^{84, 324} acids, and also to the ketoacids, PhCOCH:CHCO₂H,⁵¹ PhCH:CHCOCO₂H,^{318b} and 6-oxo-7-octenoic acid. 393 The addition of an anti-oxidant to prevent polymerization has been claimed.^{217b} The addition reaction may be catalyzed by pyridine.334b β-Mercaptoethanol has been added to dioleyl maleate.40 The reaction of benzyl mercaptan with α-nitro-β-methylcrotonic ester is highly exothermic.⁵, 141 It adds to the β-methylcrotonic ester in the presence of pyridine.5, 93 This mercaptan has been added to ethyl acrylate, to acrylonitrile, and to maleic anhydride.413 A number of aliphatic and aromatic mercaptans have been added to acrylonitrile and to methyl acrylate with the aid of a basic catalyst.215, 404

p-Thiocresol has been added to acrylonitrile and to methyl acrylate and β-thionaphthol to acrylonitrile. ²⁹² 3-Thiophenethiol and maleic anhydride give 3-thienylmercaptosuccinic acid. ⁵⁹ Unless the mercaptan is an active one a catalyst, such as sodium methylate, is required. ³⁴⁵ Decyl, dodecyl, and octadecyl mercaptans have been added to acrylonitrile in this way. ³⁸⁴ In alkaline solution, 2-mercaptobenzothiazole combines with it readily. ¹⁸¹ Thiophenol has been added to several β-alkylacrylonitriles. ³⁵⁹ With active mercaptans, acrylonitrile requires no catalyst. In the absence of any known catalyst its reaction with ethanedithiol is spontaneous and so highly exothermic that the one must be run into the other, slowly and with efficient cooling. ³⁵¹

The addition of a sulfenyl chloride to ketene gives the chloride of a sulfidoacetic acid: 356

RSCI +
$$CH_2:CO \rightarrow RSCH_2COCI$$

With an unsaturated acid the addition product is a chloro-acid: ⁵⁶

$$\textbf{RSCI} \hspace{0.1in} + \hspace{0.1in} \textbf{CH}_2 : \textbf{CHCO}_2 \textbf{Me} \hspace{0.1in} \rightarrow \hspace{0.1in} \textbf{RSCH}_2 \textbf{CHCICO}_2 \textbf{Me}$$

Mercaptans have been added to the benzaldehyde-anthranilic acid Schiff's base: ³⁹⁶

RSH + PhcH:NC₆H₄CO₂H
$$\rightarrow$$
 PhcH(SR)NHC₆₄CO₂H

Though the products are sulfides and also acids, they are not sulfide-acids since the sulfur and the carboxyl are not attached to the same carbon chain.

Addition of a Mercapto-Acid to an Unsaturate

Of all mercapto-acids, thioglycolic is the one that has been used most frequently in these additions. It is readily available and is exceptionally reactive. Reference should be made to chapter 5. Volume I, on mercapto-acids. The rate of addition of this acid to various olefins under a variety of conditions has been studied. The reaction goes well in alcohol and in acetic acid and particularly so in propionic.²¹³ The addition may take place quickly with the evolution of considerable heat or may require many hours at room temperature.205d The influence of para substituents in a-methylstyrene on the rate of addition of thioglycolic acid to it has been investigated. A halogen decreases the rate somewhat; a methyl group doubles it, while a methoxyl increases it a hundred fold. 430 When thioglycolic acid is mixed with a higher unsaturated alcohol, or with its ester, the temperature must be kept low so that the reaction is limited to addition at the double bond. The addition goes particularly well when an open vinyl group, -CH:CH₂, is present as in the alpha olefins, decene-1, dodecene-1, tetradecene-1, β-pinene, and undecvlenic acid. 189c, 190c, 320, 391a Thioglycolic acid adds spontaneously to α-terpiniol, terpinolene, and vinyl acetate.³⁵¹ When one mole of thioglycolic acid was mixed with one of allyl alcohol the temperature rose 22° within 5 minutes. When 25 g. of it was poured into 40 g. of undecylenic acid the temperature went up 68° within about one minute and, on cooling, the product set to a solid mass of crystals.³⁵¹

The addition of mercapto-acids, as that of mercaptans, to unsaturates goes contrary to Markownikow's rule, which appears to be due to the presence of peroxides. The amounts of these which are required are so small that the traces which are usually present in organic compounds, that have been exposed to the air, are sufficient. It is inhibited by hydroquinone. Sulfur usually retards the reaction and may reverse the mode of addition but this requires further investigation. The addition of thioglycolic acid to cyclohexene, and dihydromyrcene takes place spontaneously. If these hydrocarbons have been freshly distilled there is no addition. The reaction is almost explosive in the presence of ascaridole. Addition to dicyclopentadiene has been reported.

From thioglycolic acid, safrole, and isosafrole, in the presence of ascaridole, the two acids, $C_7H_5O_2$ · $CH_2CH_2CH_2SCH_2CO_2H$ and $C_7H_5O_2$ · $CH_2CHMeSCH_2CO_2H$, have been prepared.³³⁸ If iodine is substituted for the ascaridole, the addition goes according to Markownikow's rule and the product from isosafrole is $C_7H_5O_2$ · $CHEtSCH_2CO_2H$.⁴¹² The reaction of the iodine with some of the mercaptan produces hydroiodic acid and it is well known that the acid-catalyzed addition goes according to this rule.

Benzalacetophenone, PhCH:CHCOPh, and sodium thioglycolate, in alkaline alcohol solution, combine to form benzylacetophenone- β -thioglycolic acid.^{318a} β -Mercaptopropionic acid has been added to styrene to give the acid, PhCH₂CH₂SCH₂CH₂-CO₂H.^{209b}

When ethyl thioglycolate, butylideneacetonitrile, PrCH:-CHCN, and sodium ethylate are heated together, addition and condensation take place to form 2-propyl-3-cyano-4-keto-tetra-hydrothiophene. A number of thiophane derivatives related to biotin have been prepared similarly.^{18, 19, 60, 61, 443} Reference should be made to chapter 1.

Thioglycolic acid can be added to allylsilicon derivatives, CH₂:CHCH₂SiMe₃, CH₂:CHCH₂SiOSiMe₃ and CH₂:CHCH₂Si-(OEt)₃.⁵⁷, 67, 68, ^{272d}

The acids, PhSO₂CH₂CH₂SCH₂CO₂H and PhSO₂CH₂CH₂-SC₆H₄CO₂H-o, have been prepared by adding thioglycolic and thiosalicylic acids to phenyl vinyl sulfone. Thioglycolic acid

adds to divinyl sulfone to form the acid, O₂S(CH₂CH₂SCH₂-CO₂H)₂.³⁵¹

Thioglycolic acid can be added to phenylacetylene in two stages:

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\begin{array}{lll} \text{PhC}: \text{CH} & + & \text{HSCH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{H} & \rightarrow & \text{PhCH}: \text{CHSCH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{H} \\ \text{PhCH}: \text{CHSCH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{H} & + & \text{HSCH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{H} & \rightarrow & \text{PhCH}_2\text{CH}(\text{SCH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{H})_2 \\ \end{array}
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There are two forms of the first addition product, both of which melt at 90° but melt at 64–7° when mixed.²¹⁰ A mercapto-acid has been added to diacetylene.⁸³

Chloranil and thioglycolic acid give 2,3,5,6-tetra (carboxy-methylmercapto) hydroquinone, 1,4,2,3,5,6- (HO) $_2$ C $_6$ (SCH $_2$ CO-OH) $_4$, m. 289°. This is partly addition and partly substitution. ^{380b} Addition is probably the first step in the reaction of thioglycolic acid, or β -mercaptopropionic acid, with quinone to give hydroquinone- α -thioacetic acid and lactone or hydroquinone- β -thiopropionic acid. ³⁹⁰ β -Mercaptopropionic acid reacts similarly with naphthoquinone. ¹⁷⁸

OTHER METHODS OF PREPARATION

If the alkyl halide that is used in the synthesis of an acid is a sulfide, the resulting acid will be a sulfide-acid. Thus the sulfide-chloride, MeSCH₂CH₂Cl, has been used with malonic ester for preparing the acid, MeSCH₂CH₂CH(CO₂H)₂, as an intermediate in the synthesis of methionine. At the synthesis of methionine of the synthesis of methionine of the synthesis of methionine. This will be considered further in the chapter on methionine. From monosubstituted malonic esters and chloromethyl alkyl sulfides, RSCH₂Cl, a number of disubstituted malonic esters, RSCH₂R'C(CO₂Et)₂, have been made as intermediates for barbituric acids. Alkylmercaptobarbituric acids, R'SCR(CONH)₂CO, have been prepared from a mercaptide and bromobarbituric acid, BrCR-(CONH)₂CO. Methanesulfenyl chloride introduces two methylmercapto groups into malonic ester: 56

$$2 \text{ MeSCI} + \text{H}_2\text{C(CO}_2\text{Et)}_2 \rightarrow \text{ (MeS)}_2\text{C(CO}_2\text{Et)}_2 + 2 \text{ HCI}$$

Triethyltrithioorthoformate condenses with malonic ester to EtSCH:C(CO₂Et)₂.¹⁷⁶ A sulfide-keto-acid, MeCOCH(SMe)-CO₂H, can be made by treating acetoacetic ester with methane-sulfenyl chloride.⁵⁶

β-Mercaptopropionic ester reacts with ethylene imine to form the ester, NH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CO₂Et.³⁹

A methylmercaptoaniline, RSC₆H₄NH₂, may be diazotized and converted to the nitrile which is hydrolyzed. Examples are p-PrSC₆H₄CO₂H, p-BuSC₆H₄CO₂H,⁷² and m-MeSC₆H₄CO₂H.⁴⁴⁶ A metal derivative of a sulfide may give an acid: ¹⁶⁴

$$PhSCH_{2}Li + CO_{2} \rightarrow PhSCH_{2}CO_{2}Li$$

By the Friedel and Crafts reaction thioanisole has been converted to the acids, $p\text{-MeSC}_6H_4\text{COCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{H}^{71}$, and $p\text{-MeSC}_6H_4\text{COCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{H}$, which have been reduced to methylmercaptophenylbutyric and methylmercaptophenylvaleric acids.

p-Methylmercaptoacetophenone has been converted to methylmercaptophenylacetic acid by the Willgerodt reaction. Phenylmercaptophenylacetic acid has been made similarly.⁹⁵

Reactions

WITH METAL SALTS

Methyl-¹⁸⁶ and ethyl-^{342b, 342d} mercaptoacetic acids, MeSCH₂-CO₂H and EtSCH₂CO₂H, form complexes with salts of mercury ¹⁸⁶ and platinum.^{342b, 342d} Ethylthiolactic acid, EtSCHCH₃-CO₂H, which has been resolved, gives similar complexes.²⁸¹ o-Methylmercaptobenzoic acid gives palladium complexes.^{282, 283} Conductivity measurements on solutions of silver nitrate, in the presence of various sulfide-acids, show the presence of complex ions. The equilibrium constants for these have been calculated.^{273d}

Certain sulfide-acids, such as α-phenylethylmercaptoacetic, PhCHMeSCH₂CO₂H, in which the alkyl-sulfur bond is not strong, are split by heating with hydrochloric acid and mercuric chloride.^{208a, 208c, 209c}

Hydrolysis

Sulfides and sulfide-acids are hydrolyzed by alkali with great difficulty ^{223, 224, 225} unless there is a hydroxyl ^{270c} or keto group on an adjoining carbon atom. ^{29, 31, 419a} A mercaptan may be split off: ^{318a, 376}

 $RCH(SR')CH_2COR'' \rightarrow RCH:CHCOR'' + R'SH$

On standing in sodium carbonate solution, (3,5-diiodo-4-pyridyl-mercapto)-acetic acid is hydrolyzed to the mercaptan which is oxidised to the disulfide.²⁵² 1-Methyl-5-chlorobenzene-2-carboxyl-amino-3-thioglycolic acid is converted to a thioindigo intermediate by treatment with alkali.²⁰¹

Triphenylmethyl sulfide-acids, Ph₃CS (CH₂)_nCO₂H, are unaffected by alkali but are hydrolyzed by cold, concentrated sulfuric acid.²²²

Sulfonium

Chloracetic ²⁶² and bromoacetic acids form sulfonium compounds with alkyl sulfides:

$$\text{Me}_2\text{S} + \text{BrCH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{H} \rightarrow \text{BrSMe}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{H}$$

This decomposes on heating: 262, 279, 280

2 BrSMe
$$_2$$
CH $_2$ CO $_2$ H \rightarrow S(CH $_2$ CO $_2$ H) $_2$ + BrSMe $_3$ + MeBr Me $_2$ S + ICH $_2$ CO $_2$ Et \rightarrow ISMe $_2$ CH $_2$ CO $_2$ H \rightarrow MeSCH $_2$ CO $_2$ Et + MeI

A sulfonium compound is formed as well by the addition of an alkyl halide to a sulfide-acid.^{206c, 362, 437b} Bromoacetic acid may add to a sulfide-acid.^{208a} A study has been made of the kinetics of these reactions.^{185c}

OXIDATION

In anhydrous solvents sulfide-acids take up bromine: 340a

$${\tt PhSCH_2CO_2H} \hspace{0.3cm} + \hspace{0.3cm} {\tt Br_2} \hspace{0.3cm} \rightarrow \hspace{0.3cm} {\tt PhSBr_2CH_2CO_2H}$$

In some cases substitution also takes place.¹⁵⁷ The bromine addition product is hydrolyzed readily:

$${\tt PhSBr_2CH_2CO_2H} \ \ + \ \ \ {\tt H_2O} \qquad \rightarrow \qquad {\tt PhSOCH_2CO_2H} \ \ + \ \ 2 \ {\tt HBr}$$

Oxidation of sulfide- to sulfoxide-acids may be effected by hydrogen peroxide, ^{208c, 232} oxides of nitrogen, ^{340b} or by sodium bromate. Some of the sulfoxides go to the sulfones readily, others not so readily. ^{271a, 271c, 272a} A study has been made of the kinetics of the oxidation of sulfide-acids. ^{272b}

Further oxidation gives the sulfone-acids. Potassium permanganate has been the agent most commonly employed.^{3a, 16, 41, 140b, 232, 250a, 250b, 271d, 286a, 287a, 288, 289, 312, 335c, 342a, 353b, 353c, 371, 407b Recently hydrogen peroxide has come into wide use.^{33, 91, 117, 117}}

130, 177, 212b, 334a, 371, 424 With it the oxidation can be carried to the sulfoxide or sulfone stage by adjusting the amount used and regulating the temperature. 134, 140b, 153, 187, 195b, 212b, 233, 270d, 271c, 276a, 322, 340b, 406, 407b, 434

The sulfone-acid, O₂S(CHMeCO₂H)₂, is inactive regardless of whether it is made from the racemic or an active thiolactic acid.²⁸⁸ An α-sulfone-acid can be alkylated in alkaline solution: ^{286a}

$${\rm O_2S(CHRCO_2H)_2} \quad + \quad 2 \text{ Et I} \qquad \rightarrow \qquad {\rm O_2S(CEtRCO_2H)_2} \quad + \quad 2 \text{ HI}$$

OTHER REACTIONS

Sulfide-acids can be esterified by conventional methods.^{101, 189e, 190a, 202, 305, 306} The esterification velocities of the acids, Me-SCH₂CO₂H, EtSCH₂CO₂H, MeSCH₂CH₂CO₂H, and EtSCH₂-CH₂CO₂H are lower than those of propionic, butyric, and valeric acids.³²⁶ The saponification rate of ethyl benzoate is markedly influenced by the introduction of the methylmercapto group in the meta or para position.^{245, 336} Polyethyleneglycol esters, RSCH₂CO₂(CH₂CH₂O)_nH, obtained by the action of ethylene oxide on an alkylmercaptoacetic acid, are said to be useful for several purposes.^{260, 261}

m-Butylmercaptobenzoic acid is converted to the chloride by sulfuryl chloride. From this the methyl ester, the amide and the N-diethylaminoethylamide have been prepared.²⁹¹ β-Naphthylmercaptoacetyl chloride and sodium azide give di-β-naphthylmercaptomethylurea, (β-C₁₀H₇SCH₂N)₂CO. Di-p-tolylmercaptomethylurea is made similarly.²⁴⁸ 2-Pyridylmercaptoacetic acid and 2-quinoylmercaptoacetic acid are converted to anhydro compounds by heating with acetanhydride.¹¹⁹

The sulfilimine of methylmercaptoacetic acid is hydrolyzed to the sulfoxide:

$$\mathsf{MeS}(:\mathsf{NSO}_2\mathsf{Ph})\mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{CO}_2\mathsf{H} \ + \ \mathsf{H}_2\mathsf{O} \ \rightarrow \ \mathsf{MeSOCH}_2\mathsf{CO}_2\mathsf{H} \ + \ \mathsf{H}_2\mathsf{NSO}_2\mathsf{Ph}$$

The sulfoxide splits into the mercaptan and aldehyde which combine to form the acetal:

Similar reactions take place with sulfilimines of other alkylmercaptoacetic acids. 415 The chlorination of methyl methylmercaptoacetate gives the dichloride which is hydrolyzed to the monothio-oxalic ester:

$$\mathsf{MeSCH_2CO_2Me} \quad \rightarrow \quad \mathsf{MeSCCI_2COMe} \quad \rightarrow \quad \mathsf{MeSCO^{\bullet}CO_2Me} \ ^{44}$$

An ester of an α-sulfide-acid can be alkylated by treatment with sodium and methyl iodide, though not as readily as the sulfone which has been mentioned above. Thus PhSCH₂CO₂Et is changed to PhSCHMeCO₂Et.^{340b} The Perkin condensation may take place between an aromatic aldehyde and phenylmer-captoacetic acid:

$$HOC_8H_4CHO + H_2C(SPh)CO_2H \rightarrow HOC_8H_4CH:C(SPh)CO_2H + H_2O$$

This cinnamic acid can be reduced to the hydrocinnamic.³²⁸
Under extreme conditions, sulfide-acids undergo hydrogenolysis: ^{49, 311}

The sulfide-acid chlorides, PhCH₂CH₂SCH₂COCl and PhCH₂-CH₂CH₂SCH₂COCl, are converted to cyclic ketosulfides by aluminum chloride in carbon disulfide.⁵³ The acid, p-BrC₆H₄-SCH₂CH₂CO₂H, is converted to 6-bromo-4-thiachromanone by concentrated sulfuric acid,⁷⁴ the nitro acid, p-O₂NC₆H₄SCH₂-CH₂CO₂H, requires this and phosphoric anhydride for cyclization.³⁵ γ-Phenylmercaptobutyryl chloride, PhSCH₂CH₂-COCl, is converted to 5-thiahomochromanone by aluminum chloride.⁷⁵ The acid, m-C₆H₄(SCH₂CH₂CO₂H)₂, is converted to thiopyrone by concentrated sulfuric acid.¹³⁷ Benzhydrylmercaptothioacetamide, Ph₂CHSCH₂CSNH₂, and ethylene diamine give 2-(benzhydrylthiomethyl)imidazoline.¹⁰²

Applications

The alkali salts of long chain acids, such as C₁₂H₂₅SCH₂CO₂H, have saponaceous and emulsifying properties.^{124, 125, 189b, 190a, 190b, 190d, 191, 429} The lithium salts of acids of this type, containing silicon in the alkyl, are said to have these properties.⁶⁸ Acids of the type, H(CH₂)_mS(CH₂)_nCO₂H, in which m and n may be 3 to 9, improve the wetting properties of mercerizing lyes.^{123, 217d} The sodium salts, C₁₁H₂₃CONHCH₂SCH₂CO₂Na and C₁₇H₃₅-CONHCH₂SCH₂CO₂Na, give foaming solutions which are useful

with textiles.^{391b} The alkali salts of phenylmercaptosuccinic acids are detergents.³³⁹ Long chain esters of the type, RSCH₂CO₂R', are emulsifying agents when the R contains a water-solubilizing group.²⁹⁰ Sulfide-acids having amide linkages in the chain ³⁶⁴ and acids, RS(CH₂)₃CO₂H, in which R is ethyl, phenyl, p-tolyl, or β-naphthyl,¹⁵ are claimed to be useful in textile auxiliary agents. Amides of sulfide-acids are said to be useful in printing on fibrous materials.^{391c}

The addition products of thiophenol to esters of acrylic and α-alkylacrylic acids are useful plasticizers.²²⁶ The same is true of esters of sulfide-acids with higher alcohols, such as PhSCH₂-CO₂C₁₂H₂₅.¹⁹³ The butyl and 2-ethylhexanol esters of benzothiazolylmercaptoacetic acid are claimed as plasticizers for polyvinyl chloride.¹⁰⁷ Acids of the type RSCHR'CO₂H, in which R is a terpene radical and R' is either alkyl or aryl, are proposed as milling aids for GR—S polymers.⁴²⁸

Esters of 3-thienylmercaptoacetic acid and the like are claimed as additions for lubricants.⁵⁸ Glycol esters of sulfide-acids serve the same purpose.³⁸⁹ Sulfide-acids, such as α-amylmercapto-stearic, inhibit oxidation of lubricating oils.^{70, 357} The cetyl ^{433, 434} and octadecyl ⁴³⁴ acids, C₁₆H₃₃SCH₂CO₂H and C₁₈H₃₇SCH₂-CO₂H, inhibit rust formation.

Sulfide-acids and their esters are recommended for removing traces of heavy metals from edible animal or vegetable oils.^{174a} Salts of certain sulfide-acids are solutizers.^{1, 333}

Some substituted phenylmercaptoacetic acids are herbicides; ¹²⁷ others are pesticides; ²³¹ others have been tested as plant growth regulators. ^{315, 420} Certain antimony derivatives are trypanocides. ³⁹⁸ Diethylaminoethyl *p*-ethylmercaptocinnamate and 3-ethylmercapto-4-hydroxybenzoate are more effective than procaine or cocaine as local anesthetics. ²⁶³

Dibasic Sulfide-Acids

THIODIGLYCOLIC ACID

The simplest of these, thiodiglycolic acid, S(CH₂CO₂H)₂, was prepared for the first time from chloracetic acid and lead sulfide ¹⁶⁰ and its amide from chloracetamide and ammonium sulfide.^{381a} Calcium ³⁷⁹ and potassium ⁶ sulfides were used in later preparations. The ethyl ester was obtained starting with ethyl

chloracetate.¹⁸³ The sulfide-acid was found as a by-product in making thioglycolic acid.^{77, 250c, 441}

To prepare thiodiglycolic acid a solution of 1320 g. of sodium sulfide, Na₂S·9H₂0, in 850 cc. of water is added slowly, with ice cooling, to 945 g. chloracetic acid, in 1500 cc. of water, that has been neutralized with sodium bicarbonate. After standing at 0° for an hour 750 cc. of concentrated sulfuric acid is added keeping the temperature below 35°. The acid is taken out by ether in a continuous extractor. The yield may be near 90%.^{22, 114, 286a, 286b} Cyclohexanone and the alcohols, propyl to hexyl, are recommended for extracting the acid from the aqueous solution.²⁶ Extraction by methyl ethyl ketone is aided by salting out.⁹²

Thiodiglycolic acid may also be made from a salt of thioglycolic acid and a halogen acetic acid:

$$N_{\alpha}OOCCH_{\alpha}SN_{\alpha} + XCH_{\alpha}COOH \rightarrow S(CH_{\alpha}COON_{\alpha})_{\alpha}$$

The reaction follows the bimolecular law but the velocity depends on the nature of the cation. The variations are great. Three different reactions may take place: 184c, 185a, 185b

Two equivalents of triethylamine may be added to one of thioglycolic acid in dry benzene and then octyl chloroacetate added. After heating the mixture the amine hydrochloride is filtered off.¹⁴⁵

Thiodiglycolic esters of the higher alcohols, such as butyl, amyl, hexyl, 266 and dodecyl, 189a. 190b have been prepared from the corresponding esters of chloroacetic acid. The nitrile, $S(CH_2CN)_2$, and the amide, $S(CH_2CONH_2)_2$, can be made from chloracetonitrile and ammonium sulfide. 399, 400, 448 The thioamide, $S(CH_2CSNH_2)_2$, is formed when chloroacetonitrile is added to an alcoholic solution of ammonia saturated with hydrogen sulfide. 448

The acid chloride can be made by adding sulfur dichloride to ketene, or to a substituted ketene: 179, 320, 321

$$\mathsf{SCI}_2 \quad + \quad \mathsf{2} \; \mathsf{CH}_2 \mathsf{:CO} \qquad \rightarrow \qquad \mathsf{S(CH}_2 \mathsf{COCI)}_2$$

The dissociation constant of thiodiglycolic acid has been compared with those of other acids.^{273a, 284, 323, 436, 439} This acid is

less reactive than its oxygen analog, O(CH₂CO₂H)₂, but the reverse is true of thioglycolic and glycolic acids.³³¹

Thiodiglycolic acid forms a sulfonium complex with chloracetic acid: 111c

$$(HO_2CCH_2)_2S + CICH_2CO_2H \rightarrow (HO_2CCH_2)_2S \xrightarrow{CH_2} CO + HCI$$

It forms complexes with cobalt salts and amines ³³⁷ and with lead, silver, and mercury salts. ¹¹⁸ Its acid platinum salt has been described. ^{342b}

Thiodiglycolic acid has been compared, as to toxicity, with thioglycolic, dithiodiglycolic, and with a variety of other compounds. 109 Its effect on the nitrogen balance in sheep has been studied. 135

Thiodiglycolic acid may be esterified by an alcohol and the usual catalysts.²⁷ The rates of formation and of hydrolysis of its esters, S(CH₂CO₂R)₂, have been compared with those of the corresponding oxygen compounds, O(CH₂CO₂R)₂, and with glutaric esters, CH₂(CH₂CO₂R)₂.³²⁷

The diethyl ester condenses with ethyl oxalate to the ester of 3,4-dihydroxythiophene-2,5-dicarboxylic acid. Similar reactions take place with MeCO·COPh and with glyoxal. The products from these are 3-methyl-4-phenylthiophene-2,5-dicarboxylic acids. and thiophene-2,5-dicarboxylic acids. 198

Thiodiglycolic acid is converted by two molecules of phosphorus pentachloride into the acid chloride, $S(CH_2COCl)_2$, from which the dimethyl ester and dianilide have been prepared. Refluxing the acid with acetanhydride ²⁶⁹ or with acetyl chloride, or treating it with one molecule of phosphorus pentachloride, gives the anhydride, $S(CH_2CO)_2O$. With aniline this forms the monoanilide, or anilic acid, which goes into the N-phenylimide, $S(CH_2CO)_2NPh$, on heating. When the diammonium salt is heated to 200° , ^{381b} or when its aqueous solution is evaporated in a vacuum and the residue is distilled the imide is obtained:

$$S(CH_2CO_2NH_4)_2 \rightarrow S(CH_2CO)_2NH + 2H_2O + NH_3$$

When the vapor of this imide is passed over pumice coated with alumina, it is converted into 1,4-thiazine, S(CH:CH)₂NH.²² The anilide can be benzoylated to S(CH₂CONB₂Ph)₂.⁴²³ Resorcinol

and phloroglucinol condense with thiodiglycolic acid to thiodiglycoleins.¹¹⁴

Polymeric condensation products of thiodiglycolic acid with diamines, such as decamethylene diamine, ¹⁸² or with glycols, ²¹⁹ are said to be useful. The propyl, butyl, amyl, and cyclohexyl esters are claimed as plasticizers. ⁴²

Treating thiodiglycolic acid with sodium hypochlorite and hydrochloric acid gives hexachlorodimethyl sulfone, O₂S-(CCl₃)₂.²²⁸

Homologs of Thiodiglycolic Acid

The symmetrical acids are from the haloacids and an alkali sulfide:

$$2 \text{ RCHBrCO}_2\text{H} + \text{K}_2\text{S} \rightarrow \text{S(CHRCO}_2\text{H)}_2 + 2 \text{ KBr}$$

The most available halogen acids are those having the halogen in the α -position. The best known acid of this class is thiodilactic acid, which was first obtained as a by-product in the preparation of thiolactic acid, MeCH(SH)CO₂H.^{286a, 287a} This acid, S(CHMeCO₂H)₂, has been resolved by quinine into two active forms, [α]197° and -198°. Both of these melt at 117° and a mixture of the two at 127°.^{146d, 147a} The β , β '-thiodipropionic acid, S(CH₂CH₂CO₂H)₂,^{286d} is best made from β -bromopropionic acid.³⁶

From α -bromobutyric, α -bromo-i-butyric, β -bromobutyric and β -bromo-i-butyric acids the isomeric acids, $S(CHEtCO_2H)_2$, 3a , 3c , 287a $S(CMe_2CO_2H)_2$, 195a , 195b , 273c , 276a , 287a $S(CHMeCH_2CO_2H)_2$, 8 , 289 , 367 and $S(CH_2CHMeCO_2H)_2$, 273c , 276b have been prepared.

The meso α,α' -thiodi-*i*-valeric acid, S[CH(CO₂H)CHMe₂]₂, is partially changed to the racemic form on heating. This has been resolved, $[\alpha]22/D$ –126.5° and $[\alpha]18/D$ 129.^{3a} The δ,δ' -acid also is known.^{221, 272c}

The α-bromo derivatives of the higher fatty acids react satisfactorily with sodium sulfide.²⁵¹ A halogenated nitrile is frequently the starting material.^{41, 78, 79, 154b, 814}

The sulfide ester, (MeO₂C)₂CHSCH(CO₂Me)₂, has been made from methyl malonate and sulfur monochloride. The disulfide ester, (MeO₂C)₂CHSSCH(CO₂Me)₂, was a by-product.⁴⁴² The γ,γ'-thiodibutyric acid, S(CH₂CH₂CO₂H)₂, has been synthesized from acetoacetic ester and from malonic ester with

dichloroethyl sulfide.¹⁰⁵ The ketosulfide ester, S[CH(COMe)-CO₂Et]₂, has been obtained from acetoacetic ester with sulfur monochloride ^{64, 259} or dichloride ^{65, 111a, 111b, 395} or with thionyl chloride.³⁰² The copper salt of acetoacetic ester and sulfur give the same ester.³⁷⁷ This sulfide acetoacetic ester is readily enolized.²⁵⁵

Useful products are said to be obtained by treating polyhalogenated fatty acids with metal sulfides or polysulfides.^{217c}

A symmetrical sulfide-acid can be obtained by the addition of hydrogen sulfide to an unsaturated acid or nitrile. This goes particularly well with an acrylic ester or acrylonitrile. It is aided by the presence of a basic catalyst, such as an amine or a tetra-alkylammonium hydroxide, such as PhCH₂NMe₃OH: ^{66, 82, 131}. ^{161, 180, 204, 218}

Acrylic acid is added to a hot solution of sodium sulfide, kept at pH 9.¹⁰⁸ Hydrogen sulfide unites with methyl acrylate in the presence of sodium sulfide.^{133b} The sulfide-nitrile, S(CH₂CH₂-CN)₂, is obtained by stirring acrylonitrile and viscose together for 3 hours.²⁹³ A sulfur chloride may be added to an unsaturated acid.³⁷

β-Propiolactone reacts with β-mercaptopropionic acid, in alkaline solution, to give β ,β'-thiodipropionic acid but the β-mercaptopropionic acid is from this lactone and hydrogen sulfide, likewise in alkaline solution. Hence, the final product may be obtained in one operation by treating two molecules of the lactone with one of sodium sulfide. ^{166a, 170, 172a, 172b} γ-Butyrolactone reacts similarly. ^{13, 14, 319}

Thiodipropionic acid can be titrated, as a sulfide, with standard bromide-bromate solution. The sulfinylo-acid can serve as an oxidising agent:

$$\mathrm{OS(CH_2CH_2CO_2H)_2} + 2\,\mathrm{HSCH_2CO_2H} \rightarrow \mathrm{S(CH_2CH_2CO_2H)_2} + (\mathrm{\cdot SCH_2CO_2H)_2} + \mathrm{H_2O}$$

When heated with hydrochloric acid, disproportionation takes place with the formation of some of the sulfonyl acids, O₂S(CH₂-CH₂CO₂H)₂.^{270b, 270d} The esters of thiodipropionic acid undergo alcoholysis with phosphoric acid as a catalyst: ¹⁷³

$$\mathsf{S}(\mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{CO}_2\mathsf{Me})_2 \quad + \quad 2 \; \mathsf{ROH} \qquad \rightarrow \qquad \mathsf{S}(\mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{CO}_2\mathsf{R})_2 \quad + \quad 2 \; \mathsf{MeOH}$$

Plastics may be obtained by esterifying it with glycols.^{217a} Certain of its higher esters are claimed as stabilizers for polythene,^{174b} others are plasticizers.¹⁰⁸ The diethyl ester can be condensed by sodium ethylate to the cyclic keto-ester:

The free acid can be decarboxylated to the ketone, penthianone-4, $S(CH_2CH_2)_2CO_3^{36}$ which has been mentioned in chapter 1.

Two sulfide-acids, S[CMe(OH)CO₂H]₂ and S[CMe(SH)-CO₂H]₂, have been identified among the products of the treatment of pyruvic acid with hydrogen sulfide.^{47, 110, 287b}

Various esters of sulfide-acids are claimed as plasticizers.^{316, 317, 319, 366} The 2-ethylhexanol ester of thiodibutyric acid is said to be the best plasticizer for polyvinyl chloride.³⁶¹ Additives for lubricating oils are said to have been made by treating esters of aliphatic acids with sulfur chloride.³⁷ Various useful products have been made from α,α' -thiodibutyrolactone.¹³ Sulfide-acids such as α,α' -thiodilauric are reported as preventing corrosion, even by salt water. Very small percentages of them in mineral oil are effective.⁴⁴⁷

The dissociation constants of the acids, $HO_2C(CH_2)_nS(CH_2)_n-CO_2H$, in which n = 1, 2, or 3, have been measured.²

When hydrogen chloride is passed into an aqueous solution of β,β'-thiodipropionic and acrylic acids the sulfonium chloride, (HO₂CCH₂CH₂)₃SCl, is formed.³⁷⁴

SYMMETRICAL THIODIBENZOIC ACIDS

2,2'-Thiodibenzoic acid has been made from o-chlorobenzoic acid and cuprous thiocyanate in pyridine. o-Bromobenzoic acid gives better results.³⁵⁸ The same acid has been obtained from o-chlorobenzoic acid and thiosalicylic acid.²⁹⁶

5,5'-Thiodisalicylic acid has been made by the action of sulfur dichloride on sodium acetyl salicylate ⁴ or of thionyl chloride, sulfur dichloride, or sulfur monochloride on the methyl ester in the presence of copper. ¹⁹⁹ It has been obtained from salicylic acid with the aid of certain cultures of bacteria. Many derivatives have been prepared, esters, aminoalkyl esters, and N-alkyl amides. ²⁵³ It can be brominated in the 3 and 3' positions. ¹⁹⁹

Methyl 5-nitro-β-resorcylic acid and sulfur chloride give the 3,3'-sulfide. Several derivatives have been made.²²⁷

Unsymmetrical Polybasic Sulfide-Acids

Unsymmetrical acids such as HO₂CCH₂SCMe₂CO₂H, HO₂-CCH₂CH₂SCMe₂CO₂H, HO₂-CCH₂CCH₂SCMe₂CO₂H, and HO₂-CCH₂SCH₂CHMeCO₂H, can be made by the reaction of a salt of a mercapto-acid with one of a halogenated acid, 149, 189d, 270b, 273c, 274, 276a, 276b, 286e or with β-propriolactone. These reactions are of the second order. 54

Acids of this type are obtained by the addition of a mercapto-acid to an unsaturated acid.³⁰⁸ Practically all that was said above about the addition of a mercapto-acid to other unsaturates applies here. Ethyl thioglycolate and ethyl cinnamate combine, in the presence of pyridine, to form the diester, PhCH-(SCH₂CO₂Et)CH₂CO₂Et.⁴¹¹ The addition of methyl β-mercapto-propionate to methyl crotonate takes place in the presence of a quaternary base and piperidine to make the ester, MeO₂CCH₂-CH₂SCHMeCH₂CO₂Me.²³ Self-addition may take place with an unsaturated mercapto-acid if the mercapto group and the double bond are spaced properly, as in γ-mercapto-α-benzylideneaceto-acetic ester.⁴¹¹

Thioglycolic, 310a thiolactic, β-mercaptopropionic, β-mercaptoi-butyric, and α-mercapto-i-butyric acids have all been added to maleic acid by heating the reactants, in concentrated water solution, for two hours on the steam bath and evaporating to dryness. Except with the last named, the yields are good. In this case the yield can be improved by adding sodium hydroxide to neutrality. The products are: HO₂CCH₂CH (CO₂H)SCH₂CO₂H, HO₂CCH₂CH (CO₂H) SCHMeCO₂H, HO₂CCH₂CH(CO₂H)-SCH₂CH₂CO₂H, and HO₂CCH₂CH (CO₂H)SCHMe₂CO₂H.^{271b} Thioglycolic and acrylic acids unite at pH above 7.309b, 375 When thioglycolic acid and a maleic ester are brought together the addition is incomplete, but with the neutral sodium salt, in aqueous alcohol solution the union is complete. Exactly the same statements can be made about a thioglycolic ester and maleic acid. 89, 312 The sodium salt of thioglycolic acid unites with N-ethylmaleimide in water solution.294 The butyl esters of the two acids unite in the presence of 1% of piperidine. 363 Cysteine and glutathione have each been added to maleic acid. 310a The cysteine derivative is racemized rapidly in aqueous solution.^{310c} Thiomalic acid has been added to maleic acid.³⁸² Maleic acid inhibits enzyme reactions which are induced by mercaptans.^{310b}

Two acids of this group have been made with chloracetic from thiomalic and thiocitromalic salts.^{212a} Others are from mercaptoacids and α-bromo derivatives of dibasic acids or esters ^{17, 85a, 809a} or from the α-mercapto derivatives and chloro acid.⁸⁶ The acid, HO₂CCH₂SCH (CO₂H) CH₂CO₂H, is said to inactivate metals in edible oils.¹²⁹

The rotation of α -(β -naphthomercapto)propionic acid in various solvents and the rotations of the alkylmercaptosuccinic acids have been studied.²⁹⁵

bis-Sulfide-Acids

The simplest are the disulfide-acids, such as HO₂CCH₂S·-SCH₂CO₂H, but these are left to chapter 7 on disulfides.

Next come the mercaptals and mercaptoles from mercaptoacids, such as RCH(SCH₂CO₂H)₂ and RR'C(SCH₂CO₂H)₂, which will be mentioned again in chapter 5.

Formaldehyde, acetaldehyde, furfural, cinnamic, and salicylic aldehydes, acetone, acetoacetic ester, acetophenone, benzophenone, and pyruvic and levulinic acids react readily with thioglycolic acid. 48a, 48b, 55, 205b, 205c, 335a, 385 A mixture of benzaldehyde with two equivalents of thioglycolic acid solidifies within a few minutes. A number of aldehydes and ketones have been condensed with β-mercaptopropionic acid. From phenacyl bromide, PhCOCH₂Br, and thioglycolic acid a tribasic acid, PhC-(SCH₂CO₂H)₂CH₂SCH₂CO₂H, can be synthesized. PhC-butyrolactone reacts as if it were γ-mercaptobutyric acid. These acids can be made by the direct action of aldehydes and ketones on Bunte salts from haloacids.

In making these mercaptal and mercaptole acids it is sometimes possible to stop at the half-way stage. Thus when thiophenol and pyruvic acid are brought together, they unite with the evolution of heat. The product is the hemimercaptole, MeC-(OH) (SPh) CO₂H. In the presence of hydrogen chloride further reaction takes place and the mercaptole, MeC(SPh)₂CO₂H, is formed.^{128, 391d} Ethyl mercaptan reacts similarly in two stages.⁵⁵ With phenylglyoxylic acid, PhCOCO₂H, ¹²⁸ and with phenylgly-

oxal ^{391d} also, the reaction can go in two steps. The reaction of thioglycolic acid with aldehydes also, may go in two steps. The hemimercaptals from thioglycolic anilide crystallize particularly well. ^{380a}

Acids of this type can be made from a dihaloacetic acid and mercaptans.^{46, 117} When the disodium derivative of malonic ester is treated with carbon disulfide and then with methyl iodide the acid, (MeS)₂C:CHCO₂H, is the final product.^{240, 241, 267} The basic bismuth salt, MeC(SEt)₂CH₂CH₂CO₂BiO, has been suggested as a therapeutic agent.⁹⁰

The simplest bis-sulfide acid, having the sulfur atoms on different carbons, is ethylene-bis-thioglycolic acid, (•CH₂SCH₂-CO₂H)₂, which is readily made from ethylene bromide and thioglycolic acid in alkaline solution.^{344, 353b} It forms the usual salts and can be esterified in conventional ways.^{422b} As a bis-sulfide, it and its esters form complexes with platinous,^{344, 422b} cuprous, and cupric chlorides ^{422b} and with silver nitrate.^{344, 422b} The acid has been oxidised to the bis-sulfoxide and bis-sulfone.^{422b}

Ethylene mercaptan reacts well with alpha and beta halopropionic acids. 353b, 353c It should react equally well with other haloacids but this has not been exploited. The isothiuronium salts, from which the dimercaptans $HS(CH_2)_nSH$ are prepared, can be used directly with chloroacetic acid and other haloacids. 249 Ethylene mercaptan is unusually active in addition reactions. 268 It can be added to unsaturated acids or to their nitriles.

The acid, CH₂(CH₂SCH₂CO₂H)₂, from trimethylene bromide and thioglycolic acid, has been reported. A number of its derivatives have been made.³⁶⁰

From thioglycolic acid and the bromides, $Br(CH_2)_nBr$, a series of acids, $HO_2CCH_2S(CH_2)_nSCH_2CO_2H$, in which n varies from 1 to 6, has been prepared and oxidised to the bis-sulfoxides. The primary and secondary dissociation constants have been determined. From β -mercaptopropionic acid, three acids, HO_2 - $CCH_2CH_2S(CH_2)_nSCH_2CH_2CO_2H$, in which n=3, 4, and 5, have been prepared. The primary acid and the bromides, $Br(CH_2)_nSCH_2CH_2CO_2H$, in which n=3, 4, and 5, have been prepared.

The acid, O(CH₂CH₂SCH₂CH₂CO₂H)₂, from dichloroethyl ether has been described. The keto-acid, OC(CH₂SCH₂-CO₂H)₂, has been made in two ways: ^{378a}

The unsymmetrical acid, HO₂CCH₂SCHMeCH₂SCH₂CO₂H, is from propylene dimercaptan.^{353a} The acid, (MeSCH₂)₂CHCO₂H, has been made from the dimercapto-acid, (HSCH₂)₂CHCO₂H, and methyl iodide.²²⁹ The ester, EtO₂CCH₂SCHPh·CH₂SCH₂-CO₂Et, is the addition product of styrene and ethyl dithiodigly-colate, (·SCH₂CO₂Et)₂.^{207b}

Methanesulfenyl chloride and acetoacetic ester give the α-methylmercapto- and α,α'-bis-methylmercapto-acetoacetic esters, MeCOCH (SMe) CH₂CO₂Et and MeCOC (SMe)₂CO₂Et.⁵⁶

6,8-bis-Benzylmercapto-octoic acid has been made in two ways.^{349, 393} Debenzylating this is one way to make lipoic acid.

Selenide-Acids

A few of these are known. The selenodilactic acid, DL-Se-(CHMeCO₂H)₂, has been resolved into the two active acids. ^{146a}, ^{147b} Selenodiacetic, β-selenodipropionic, ³²⁵ and γ-selenodibutyric ^{147b}, ¹⁴⁸ acids have been prepared by the methods used for the sulfur analogs. By adding selenium to the Grignard reagent and causing the product to react with chloracetic acid the acid m-CF₃C₆H₄SeCH₂COOH has been made. ³³ Phenylselenoacetic acid, PhSeCH₂CO₂H, has been made by the pyrolysis of the selenonium salt, PhMeSe(CH₂CO₂H)Br. ¹²² The nitro derivative of this was obtained by heating o-nitrophenyl selenocyanide, o-O₂NC₆H₄SeCN, with sodium chloroacetate. ³⁰ p-Phenyl-selenobenzoic acid, PhSeC₆H₄CO₂H, was from the reduction of the selenoxide. ¹⁵⁸ The affinity constants of the acids, AmOCH₂CO₂H, AmSCH₂CO₂H, and AmSeCH₂CO₂H, have been compared. ³⁰

Physical Properties of Some Sulfide-Acids

These are given in the following lists. The same remarks that have been made in other chapters apply here.

Alkylmercaptoacetic Acids

MeSCH₂CO₂H, m. 13°; b₄ 99–100°,³²⁶ b₈ 106–8°,^{206b} b_{9.5} 107°,^{297a} b₂₇ 130–1°; d 20/4 1.221; n 20/D 1.495; K₂₅ 1.92 × 10⁻⁴; ^{273b}, ^{297a} K esterification 3.80 at 25°; ³²⁶ chloride, b₁₄ 49–50°; ³⁰⁵, ³⁰⁷ n 25/D 1.4967; anhydride, b_{0.25} 111–2°; n 25/D 1.5162; ³⁰⁵ Me ester, b₁₁ 53–5°, b₂₀ 60–2°; ²⁴⁷ Et ester, b. 174–6°; amide, b. 104°; ²⁴⁶ anilide, m. 78°, ¹⁸⁷ 74°; ^{28b} p-toluide, m. 103°; ¹⁸⁷ p-aniside, m. 94°; p-phenetide, m. 63°. ^{28d}

- EtSCH₂CO₂H, m. -8.5°, ³²⁶ -8.7°; ^{342c} b₅ 108-9°, ³²⁶ b₁₁ 117-8°, ⁴³, ^{342c} b₁₄ 124-5°; ^{206b} n 20/D 1.4869; ^{297a} d 20/4 1.1497; ^{342c} K 1.83 × 10^{-4} ; ^{297a}, ^{342c} K esterification 3.83 at 25°; ³²⁶ chloride, b₁₄ 61-4°; ³⁰⁵, ³⁰⁷ n 25/D 1.4888; ³⁰⁵ anhydride, b_{0.07} 94-6°, ³⁰⁷ 94°, b_{0.1} 100-3°; n 25/D 1.5030; ³⁰⁵ Et ester, b. 187-9°; ^{250a}, ^{250b} d₄ 1.047; ^{250b} amide, m. 51°, ^{334b} 44°; ^{250a}, ^{250b} anilide, m. 59°, ¹⁸⁷ 61°; ^{28a} p-toluide, m. 82°; ¹⁸⁷ p-aniside, m. 68°, p-phenetide, m. 87°; ^{28d} Et thioester b₅ 101-2°. ³⁴¹
- PrSCH₂CO₂H, b₆₈₅ 244–5°,²⁹⁸ b_{8.5} 125–6°,^{206b} b₁₁ 126–8°,³⁰⁵, ³⁰⁷ b₁₅ 132°; d 20/4 1.106; n 20/D 1.483,^{273b} n 25/D 1.4805; ³⁰⁵ K 1.68 \times 10⁻⁴; ^{273b} chloride, b₈ 63–4°; ³⁰⁵, ³⁰⁷ n 25/D 1.4846; ³⁰⁵ Me ester, b. 184°; d 25/4 1.0325; n 25/D 1.4630; Et ester, b. 205°; d 25/4 0.9913; n 25/D 1.4590; Pr ester, b. 209°; d 25/4 0.9860; n 25/D 1.4580; Bu ester, b. 225°; d 25/4 0.9781; n 25/D 1.4575; amide, m. 53°; ⁴²⁵ anilide, m. 57°, ^{28b} 56°; p-toluide, m. 79°. ¹⁸⁷
- *i*-PrSCH₂CO₂H, b₁₀ 123–4°, ^{206b} b₁₃ 128°, ^{278b} b₁₀ 118–9°; n 25/D 1.4788; ³⁰⁵, ³⁰⁷ K 1.9 × 10⁻⁴ at 25°; ^{273b} chloride, b₈ 57–8°; ³⁰⁵, ³⁰⁷ n 25/D 1.4820; ³⁰⁵ anilide, m. 67°; ^{28b}, ¹⁸⁷ p-toluide, m. 66°; ¹⁸⁷ p-aniside, m. 58°; p-phenetide, m. 100°. ^{28d}
- BuSCH₂CO₂H, b₇₆₄ 282.2°, ⁴²⁷ b₂₀ 153°, ^{273b} b₁₀ 136–7°, ³⁰⁵, ³⁰⁷ b_{5–8} 125–30°; ^{334a} d 0/4 1.0769, d 25/4 1.0600; ⁴²⁷ n 25/D 1.4780; ³⁰⁵ K 1.54 × 10⁻⁴; ^{273b} chloride, b. 218°, ⁴²⁷ b₈ 83–4°; ³⁰⁵, ³⁰⁷ n 25/D 1.4828; ³⁰⁵ Me ester, b. 224°, b₁₀ 85°; d 0/4 1.0297, d 25/4 1.0096; n 25/D 1.4590; Et ester, b. 235.5°, b₁₀ 89–90°, ⁴²⁷ b₁₈ 110–1°; ^{133a} d 0/4 1.0042, d 25/4 0.9852; n 25/D 1.4560; Pr ester, b. 250.2°, b₆ 93–4°; d 0/4 0.9890, d 25/4 0.9694; n 25/D 1.4555; Bu ester, b. 263.8°, b₆ 105–6°; d 0/4 0.9792, d 25/4 0.9601; n 25/D 1.4555; ⁴²⁷ amide, m. 58°, ¹¹⁷ 65°; ⁴²⁷ p-toluide, m. 62°. ¹⁸⁷
- *i*-BuSCH₂CO₂H, b. 244°,³⁵², ⁴²⁶ b_{2.5} 108°; ¹² d₂₅ 1.0685; n 25/D 1.4750; chloride, b₁₄ 104–5°; d₂₅ 1.1034; n 25/D 1.4780; Et ester, b. 209°; d 25/4 0.9819; n 25/D 1.4550; Pr ester, b. 228°; d 25/4 0.9619; n 25/D 1.4550; Bu ester, b. 245°; d 25/4 0.9548; n 25/D 1.4515; *i*-Bu ester, b. 234°; d 25/4 0.9498; n 25/D 1.4530; ³⁵², ⁴²⁶ amide, m. 49°, ⁴²⁶, 58°; ¹¹⁷ anilide, m. 46°; p-toluide, m. 86°; ¹⁸⁷ p-aniside, m. 86°. ^{28d}
- s-BuSCH₂CO₂H, b₅ 118–20°; ³⁹⁴ p-toluide, m. 57°. ¹⁸⁷
- t-BuSCH₂CO₂H, b₂ 107–9°, ¹⁸⁷ b₈ 126–7°; ^{206b} chloride, b₆ 68–70°; anilide, m. 81°; p-toluide, m. 88°. ¹⁸⁷

AmSCH₂CO₂H, m. 20.5°; 234 b_{0.75} 107.5–9°, 394 b_{0.5} 120–2°; d 20/4 1.0425; n 20/D 1.4781, 234 n 25/D 1.4723. 394

i-AmSCH₂CO₂H, $b_{0.75}$ 103–6°; n 25/D 1.4748; ³⁹⁴ Et ester, b. 230°; d_4 0.9797. ^{250a}, ^{250b}

 $C_6H_{13}SCH_2CO_2H$, b_2 133-6°; n 25/D 1.4723.394

Pr₂CHSCH₂CO₂H, b₁ 124-6°.394

2-Octyl SCH₂CO₂H, b_{0.7} 130-1°.394

4-Octyl SCH₂CO₂H, b_{0.75} 120-2°; n 25/D 1.4789.³⁹⁴

C₁₀H₂₁SCH₂CO₂H, m. 53°; ^{169, 345} b₄ 150–60°. ³⁴⁸

 $C_{12}H_{25}SCH_2CO_2H$, m. 62° ; ^{169, 345} b₂ 176–9°. ^{190c}

C₁₄H₂₉SCH₂CO₂H, m. 61°.³⁹⁴

C₁₆H₃₃SCH₂CO₂H, m. 74°. 196

 $C_6H_{11}SCH_2CO_2H$, $b_{0.1}$ 122°, 100 b_{12} 173–8°; 190c d_{20} 1.1274; n 20/D 1.5142. 437a

2-MeC₆H₁₀SCH₂CO₂H, b_{0.1} 135°. 100

C₁₀H₁₇SC₂CO₂H, decahydronaphthyl, b₂ 170-2°. 190c

2-C₄H₃S·SCH₂CO₂H, Et ester, b₂₀ 138°; amide, m. 96°.81

3-C₄H₃S·SCH₂CO₂H, m. 52.5°,⁵⁹ 51°,⁸¹ 56°; ³⁰⁰ b₁ 135-40°; ³⁹⁴ Et ester, b₉ 140-2°; amide, m. 116°; acetanilide, m. 118.5°.⁸¹

2-C₄H₃S·CH₂SCH₂CO₂H, b₁₆ 196.5°; d 22/4 1.319; n 20/D 1.5898; Et ester, b_{15.5} 160°; d 20.5/4 1.192; n 20/D 1.5452; chloride, b₁₆ 150°; amide, m. 102.5°.⁷³

Arylmercaptoacetic Acids

PhSCH₂CO₂H, m. 65°,^{206b} 43.5°; ^{250a} K 3.0 × 10⁻⁴, 2.8 × 10⁻⁴ at 25°; ⁹⁶ chloride b₆ 117–9°; n 25/D 1.5806; ³⁰⁵ Et ester, b. 276–8°,^{250b} b₁₄ 144–5°; ^{340b} lauryl ester, b₁₅ 244–6°; ¹⁹³ amide, m. 104°.^{250b}

PhSCH₂COSPh, m. 65°.¹⁰⁴

PhCH₂SCH₂CO₂H, m. 64°,^{273b} 63°,^{205d, 206b} 62°,¹⁵⁷ 61°,^{192, 407b} 59°; ^{154a, 415} b₂₀ 204°; K 1.87 \times 10⁻⁴; ^{273b} Et ester, b. 275–90°; ^{154a} chloride, b_{5.5} 130°; n 25/D 1.5682; ³⁰⁵ amide, m. 97°; ^{154a} p-aniside, m. 82°; p-phenetide, m. 111°; ^{28d} thioamide, m. 78.5°.¹⁰²

PhCHMeSCH₂CO₂H, m. 63°; ^{206b, 206c,} L form [α]_D -333.2°. ^{207a} PhCH₂CH₂SCH₂CO₂H, m. 61°, ⁵³ 56°; ³⁹⁴ b₄ 185°, ⁵³ b₂ 194–5°; Me ester, b₄ 146°; ³⁹⁴ chloride, b₁₅ 175–6°. ⁵³

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PhCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, b<sub>0.6</sub> 187–8°, 53 b<sub>1</sub> 173–5°; Me ester,
    b<sub>3</sub> 152°; <sup>394</sup> chloride, b<sub>13</sub> 193-5°. <sup>53</sup>
m\text{-MeC}_6H_4SCH_2CO_2H, m. 68°.417
p-\text{MeC}_6\text{H}_4\text{SCH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{H}, m. 86°; Et ester, b_{32} 179–82°; n 22.5/D
    1.5058.394
p\text{-ClC}_6\text{H}_4\text{SCH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{H}, m. 62°.315
2.4-\text{Cl}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_3\text{SCH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{H}, m. 123^{\circ}.^{232}
2.5-\text{Cl}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_3\text{SCH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{H}, m. 130^{\circ}.^{159}
4,2-ClMeC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 128°,<sup>232</sup> 127°.<sup>438</sup>
p-BrC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, b<sub>5</sub> 175°.<sup>394</sup>
m-F<sub>3</sub>CC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 47°; b<sub>2</sub> 140-3°; Me ester, b<sub>1</sub> 100-
2,4-O<sub>2</sub>NClC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 210°.<sup>356</sup>
2,6,4-I<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>NC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>2</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 112°.410
o-O<sub>2</sub>NC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 164°; Et ester, m. 48°.91
2,4-(O_2N)_2C_6H_3SCH_2CO_2H, m. 160^{\circ}.^{91}
p\text{-HSC}_6\text{H}_4\text{SCH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{H}, \text{ m. } 111^{\circ}.^{394}
p-MeOC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>Me, b<sub>5</sub> 162°. 394
p-PhOC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 74°; Me ester, b<sub>1.8</sub> 197-200°.<sup>394</sup>
5,2-Me (MeO) C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 79°. 163
Ph<sub>2</sub>CHSCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 127°; <sup>157</sup> amide, m. 112°; Et ester, b<sub>0.001</sub>
     125°.103
Ph_3CSCH_2CO_2H, m. 164^{\circ}, ^{205d} 163^{\circ}, ^{192} 162^{\circ}; K 0.5 \times 10^{-4}; 273b
    Et ester, m. 94°; amide, m. 146°. 102
p-Me<sub>2</sub>CHC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, b<sub>0.15</sub> 160–80°.<sup>394</sup>
2,4,6-Me_3C_6H_2CH_2SCH_2CO_2H, m. 97°. 394
p-PhC_6H_4SCH_2CO_2H, m. 170°. 155
α-C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>7</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>Me, b<sub>1.5</sub> 195–8°.<sup>394</sup>
\beta-C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>7</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 150°, <sup>157</sup> 77°; Et ester, b<sub>0.2</sub> 148–50°. <sup>394</sup>
\alpha-C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>7</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 104°. 192
9-C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>9</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, anthranyl, m. 164°; Me ester, m. 57°. 151
p-\text{ClC}_6\text{H}_4\text{CH}_2\text{SCH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{H}, \text{ m. } 64^{\circ},^{394} 48^{\circ}.^{192}
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Unsaturated Alkyl- and Arylmercaptoacetic Acids

2-benzothiazoyl-SCH₂CO₂H, m. 155°; ¹²⁰ Bu ester, b₁ 200–8°. ¹⁰⁷

2,4-Cl₂C₆H₃CH₂SCH₂CO₂H₁, m. 75°.³¹⁵

MeCH:CEtSCH₂CO₂Et, b₂ 78.5°; d 20/4 1.0109; n 20/D 1.4797.³⁸⁵

EtCH: $CPrSCH_2CO_2Et$, $b_{1.8}$ 90°; d 20/4 0.9820; n 20/D 1.4749.³⁸⁵

PrCH:CBuSCH₂CO₂Et, b_{1.8} 108°; d 20/4 0.9570; n 20/D 1.4750.³⁸⁵

PhCH:CHSCH₂CO₂H, m. 90°; K $3.1 \times 10^{-4.210}$

 $H_2C:CHCH_2SCH_2CO_2H$, $b_{1.5}$ 103-5°, 394 $b_{0.8}$ 100-12°; 12 n 25/D 1.5045; Et ester, b_1 64-7°; 394 p-phenetide, m. 78°. 28d

H₂C:CMeCH₂SCH₂CO₂H, b_{3.4} 114-8°; n 25/D 1.4993.394

 $Me_2C:CHCH_2SCH_2CO_2H$, $b_{0.5}$ 103-6°; n 25/D 1.5058.394

H₂C:CClCH₂SCH₂CO₂H, b₁ 130-1°; n 24/D 1.5336.394

H₂C:CBrCH₂SCH₂CO₂H, m. 30.5°; b_{1.5} 145–8°; n 25/D 1.5530.³⁹⁴

MeCCl:CHCH₂SCH₂CO₂H, b_{0.6} 108–11°. 142

PhCH:CHCH₂SCH₂CO₂H, m. 90°; ^{209c} Et ester, m. 79°, ^{205d} 72°. ³⁹⁴

Me₂C:CHCH₂CH₂(CHMe)₂SCH₂CO₂H, b_{0.1} 170°. 100

Alkylmercapto Monocarboxylic Acids

MeSCHMeCO₂H, m. 17.3°; ^{297b} b₁₂ 112–15°, ³⁰⁷ b₈ 104°, ^{297a} 105–6°, ³⁰⁵ b₄ 105–6°; d 20/4 1.1464; ^{297b} n 20/D 1.4843, ^{297a}, ^{297b} n 25/D 1.4815; ³⁰⁵ K 1.73 × 10^{-4} ; ^{297a} chloride, b₁₀ 48–50°, ³⁰⁷ b₄₅ 77–8°; n 25/D 1.4873; ³⁰⁵ anilide, m. 126°. ^{28b}

EtSCHMeCO₂H, b₈ 113.7°, ^{297a} 111–3°, ^{305, 307} b₉ 115.5°; d 20/4 1.1087; ^{297b} n 20/D 1.4796, ^{297a} 1.4798, ^{297b} n 25/D 1.4764; ³⁰⁵ K. 1.60 \times 10⁻⁴; ^{297a} chloride, b₈ 56–7°; ^{305, 307} n 25/D 1.4805; ³⁰⁵ amide, m. 65.5°; ^{334b} anilide, m. 97°. ^{28a}

PrSCHMeCO₂H, b₉ 128.5°; d 20/4 1.0595; n 20/D 1.4765; 297b amide, m. 57°; 334b anilide, m. 92°. 28b

i-PrSCHMeCO₂H, m. 14.6°; b₉ 121.4°; d 20/4 1.0482; n 20/D 1.4724; ^{297b} anilide, m. 84°. ^{28b}

BuSCHMeCONH₂, m. 61.5°.334b

t-BuSCHMeCO₂H, m. 92°.16

C₁₆H₃₃SCHMeCO₂H, m. 59°. 196

MeSCHEtCO₂H, b₁ 90–1°,⁶² b₈ 115–6°,³⁰⁵ b₉ 115–6°; ³⁰⁷ n 25/D 1.4788; ³⁰⁵ chloride, b₈ 58–9°; ³⁰⁵, ³⁰⁷ n 25/D 1.4835; ³⁰⁵ amide, m. 99°; ⁶² anilide, m. 112°; ^{28b} p-toluide, m. 89.^{28e}

EtSCHEtCONH₂, m. 101°; ^{334b} anilide, m. 68°; ^{28a} p-toluide, m. 70°. ^{28e}

PrSCHEtCONH₂, m. 78.5°; 834b p-toluide, m. 69°. 28e i-PrSCHEtCONHPh, m. 88°; 28b p-toluide, m. 118°. 28e BuSCHEtCONH₂, m. 65.5°. 334b C₁₄H₂₉SCHEtCO₂H, m. 39°. 196

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EtSCHPrCONH<sub>2</sub>, m. 102°.834b
PrSCHPrCONH<sub>2</sub>, m. 99°.884b
BuSCHPrCONH<sub>2</sub>, m. 65°.334b
C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>33</sub>SCHPrCO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 49°. 196
C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>33</sub>SCHBuCO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 49.5°. 196
C_{16}H_{33}SCH(C_8H_{17})CO_2H, m. 43°. 196
C_{12}H_{25}SCH(C_9H_{19})CO_2H, m. 48^{\circ}. 196
C_{16}H_{33}SCH(C_{9}H_{19})CO_{2}H, m. 49°. 196
C_{16}H_{33}SCH(C_{10}H_{21})CO_2H, m. 48°. 196
C_{16}H_{33}SCH(C_{12}H_{25})CO_2H, m. 48°. 196
C_{16}H_{33}SCH(C_{14}H_{29})CO_{2}H, m. 48°. 196
MeSCMe<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 40; b<sub>12</sub> 113-5°.<sup>277</sup>
EtSCMe<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, b<sub>20</sub> 132-3°; d 20/4 1.0604; n 20/D 1.4764; <sup>277</sup>
   amide, m. 94°.334b
PrSCMe<sub>2</sub>CONH<sub>2</sub>, m. 95.5°.334b
i-PrSCMe<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 43°; b<sub>15</sub> 131-2°.<sup>277</sup>
BuSCMe<sub>2</sub>CONH<sub>2</sub>, m. 108°.334b
MeSCH_2CH_2CO_2H, m. 16.5°; b<sub>7</sub> 129.5°, 326 b<sub>12</sub> 119–23°, 305, 307 b<sub>14</sub>
   129.5°; d 20/4 1.1571; n 20/D 1.4898,<sup>215</sup> n 25/D 1.4884; <sup>305</sup>
   K esterification 4.60 at 25°; 326 chloride, b<sub>12</sub> 65-7°, 307 b<sub>45</sub> 96-
   7^{\circ},305 b<sub>34</sub> 98–101°; n 20/D 1.500,215 n 25/D 1.4941; 305 Me ester,
   b_477-8^{\circ},^{418}b_{11}69^{\circ},^{177}b_{15}80.5^{\circ}; d20/41.073; n20/D1.4646,^{215}
   n 32/D 1.4600; Et ester, b<sub>18</sub> 88°.418
EtSCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 23.5°; b<sub>5</sub> 131.5°, <sup>326</sup> b<sub>13</sub> 136-7°, <sup>272a</sup> b<sub>20</sub>
   149°; d 25/4 1.103; n 25/D 1.4756; 112 K esterification 4.64 at
   25°; ^{326} Me ester, b_{55} 109–13°, ^{33} b_{14} 84°, ^{243} b_{11} 73°; ^{84} n 20/D
   1.4630; <sup>243</sup> Et ester, b<sub>18</sub> 95–7°. <sup>413</sup>
PrSCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, b<sub>10</sub> 142-3°,<sup>272a</sup> b<sub>11</sub> 142-5°; <sup>406</sup> Me ester, b<sub>4</sub>
   63°; n 21/D 1.4629.243
i-PrSCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>Me, b<sub>13</sub> 94°; d 20/4 1.010; n 20/D 1.4610.<sup>215</sup>
BuSCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, b<sub>20</sub> 168-9°; d 25/4 1.043; n 25/D 1.4706; 112
   Me ester, b_{19} 118°. 133a
t-BuSCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, b<sub>1</sub> 98-9°; <sup>169, 172a</sup> Me ester, b<sub>17</sub> 102°; d 20/4
   0.984; n 20/D 1.4604.215
C_6H_{13}SCH_2CH_2CO_2H, m. 21.5°; <sup>169</sup> b<sub>1</sub> 110-4°. <sup>169, 172a</sup>
C_8H_{17}SCH_2CH_2CO_2H, m. 41°. 169, 345
C_9H_{19}SCH_2CH_2CO_2H, m. 53°,345 51°; 169 b_{25} 180–5°.345
C_{10}H_{21}SCH_{2}CH_{2}CO_{2}H, m. 52^{\circ}, 169 43^{\circ}. 384
C_{12}H_{25}SCH_2CH_2CO_2H, m. 62^{\circ}, ^{189}, ^{243}, ^{345} 60^{\circ}. ^{384}
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 $C_{18}H_{37}SCH_2CH_2CO_2H$, m. 79°.384

 $C_6H_{T1}SCH_2CH_2CO_2H$, m. 22°; $b_{0.9}$ 136–7°; n 20/D 1.5096; d_{20} 1.1000.437a

2-C₄H₃S·CH₂SCH₂CH₂CO₂H, m. 70.5°; b₁₆ 204°; chloride, b₁₅ 175°; amide, m. 94°.⁷³

MeSCHMeCH₂CO₂H, b₁ 98-100; amide, m. 80°.62

EtSCHMeCH₂CO₂Me, b₁₀ 79°.84

MeSCH₂CHMeCO₂H, b₁₂ 129-30°; d 20/4 1.1086; n 20/D 1.4815; ^{271a} Me ester, b₁₂ 79°; d 20/4 1.037; n 20/D 1.4610.²¹⁵ EtSCH₂CHMeCO₂H, b₁₂ 140-1°; d 20/4 1.0684; n 20/D

EtSCH₂CHMeCO₂H, b_{12} 140–1°; d 20/4 1.0684; n 20/D 1.4780.^{271a}

PrSCH₂CHMeCO₂H, b₆ 138–9°; d20/4 1.0405; n 20/D 1.4761.^{271a} n 20/D 1.4761.^{271a}

i-PrSCH₂CHMeCO₂H, m. 31°; b₈ 135-7°; ²⁷¹⁸ Me ester, b₁₀ 91°; d 20/4 0.986; n 20/D 1.4578.²¹⁵

BuSCH₂CHMeCONH₂, m. 55°.334b

MeSCHEtCH₂CO₂H, b₁ 90-1°; amide, m. 99°.62

EtSCH₂CHEtCO₂H, b₁₈ 137°.45

MeSCH₂CH (CH₂Ph) CO₂H, m. 104°; b₁₃ 181-6°. 45

 $C_{12}H_{25}SCMe_2CH_2CO_2Me$, $b_{0.5}$ 162–3.5°; n 20/D 1.4660.404

MeSCH₂CH₂CO₂H, b₅ 127–9°,²⁵⁴, ³³² b₇ 123°,⁴¹⁶ b₉ 129–30°,³⁰⁷ 130°,³⁰⁵ b₁₂ 130–3°,²⁴ b₁₆ 143–4°; ³¹¹ n 25/D 1.4823; ³⁰⁵ chloride, b₇ 77–9°,³⁰⁷ b₂₀ 98–100°; n 25/D 1.4898.³⁰⁵

EtSCH₂CH₂CH₂CO₂H, b₁₀ 144°, ¹⁵ b₂₀ 155°. ⁴¹⁶

BuSCH₂CH₂CH₂CO₂H, b₁₅ 163-5°.50

 $C_8H_{17}SCH_2CH_2CH_2CO_2H$, m. 36°; ¹⁶⁹, ³⁴⁵ $b_{0.5}$ 155–8°. ³⁴⁵

MeSCH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CO₂H, b₉ 129–30°.³⁰⁵

 $C_7H_{15}SCH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2CO_2H$, m. 28°; b₁ 163.5–5°. ^{169, 345}

 $C_6H_{13}S(CH_2)_5CO_2H$, m. 28°; b₁ 164-6°. 169, 345

 $PrS(CH_2)_8CO_2H$, m. 28°; ³⁴⁵ b₂ 165–70°. ¹⁶⁹, ³⁴⁵

 $MeS(CH_2)_{10}CO_2H$, m. 45°; b₁ 165–8°. 169, 345

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PhSCHMeCO₂H, m. 20.7°; b₉ 168–70°; p-[α] 25/D 123.9°, L-[α] 25/D -123°; p-amide, m. 146.5°; ³⁴³ Et ester, b₁₅ 139.5°. ^{340b} PhCH₂SCHMeCO₂H, m. 83°, ¹⁹² 79°, ³²⁴ 76.5°, ³⁰⁴ 74°; ²²⁵ n 18/D 1.5503. ³²⁴

L m. -104°.49

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\beta-C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>7</sub>SCHMeCO<sub>2</sub>H, D m. 54°; L m. 53.5°.<sup>295</sup>
PhCH<sub>2</sub>SCHEtCO<sub>2</sub>H, b<sub>1</sub> 150-2°; amide, m. 107°; 62 p-toluide, m.
    75°.28e
PhSCHPhCO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 103°. 153
PhSCHMe<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 66°.<sup>277</sup>
PhCH<sub>2</sub>SCMe<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 131°,277 97°,225
PhCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>SCMe<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 69°.<sup>277</sup>
Ph<sub>3</sub>CSCMe<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 156°.<sup>225</sup>
PhSCMePhCO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 105°; Et ester, b<sub>10</sub> 183°; d 20/4 1.125;
    n 20/D 1.5785; amide, m. 89°.49
PhSCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 61°, <sup>172a</sup>, <sup>212b</sup> 58°; <sup>169</sup> Me ester, b<sub>12</sub> 153.5°;
    d 20/4 1.140; n 20/D 1.5510.215
PhCH<sub>2</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 84°,<sup>208b</sup> 83°,<sup>324</sup> 81.5°,<sup>215</sup> 80.5°; <sup>169</sup>
    Me ester, b<sub>14</sub> 173°; d 20/4 1.117; n 20/D 1.5414; <sup>215</sup> Et ester,
    b_{1.7} 134-6^{\circ},^{413} b_{0.22} 101-3^{\circ}; n 25/D 1.5305,^{397} n 20/D 1.5329.^{413}
PhCHMeSCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 59°.<sup>209b</sup>
PhCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 47°.<sup>209b</sup>
Ph<sub>2</sub>CHSCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 90°.<sup>225</sup>
p\text{-MeC}_{6}\text{H}_{4}\text{SCH}_{2}\text{CH}_{2}\text{CO}_{2}\text{H}, b_{6} 153-5^{\circ}.^{292}
o-O<sub>2</sub>NC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 147°; anilide, m. 166°. 130
p-O_2NC_6H_4SCH_2CH_2CO_2H_1, m. 131°.35
p-H<sub>2</sub>NC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 129°; Ac., m. 203°.35
p-BrC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 115°.74
p-HSC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 85°.35
p-O<sub>2</sub>NC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CPh<sub>2</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 126°.<sup>225</sup>
3.5-I_2C_5H_2N\cdot SCH_2CH_2CO_2H-4, m. 213^{\circ}.^{252}
PhSCHMeCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, n 18/D 1.5503; <sup>324</sup> amide, m. 93.5°. <sup>359</sup>
PhCH<sub>2</sub>SCHMeCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, b<sub>1</sub> 159-60°; amide, m. 85°.62
PhSCH<sub>2</sub>CHMeCO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 45°; <sup>271a</sup> Me ester, b<sub>13</sub> 154°; d 20/4
    1.109; n 20/D 1.5406.<sup>215</sup>
PhCH<sub>2</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>CHMeCO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 43°; <sup>271a</sup> Me ester, b<sub>13</sub> 169.5°; d
    20/4 1.089; n 20/D 1.5323.<sup>215</sup>
PhCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>CHMeCO<sub>2</sub>H, b<sub>6</sub> 190-5°; d 20/4 1.1207; n 20/D
    1.5450,271a
PhCH<sub>2</sub>SCHEtCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, b<sub>1</sub> 150-2°; amide, m. 107°.62
PhSCH (CHMe<sub>2</sub>) CH<sub>2</sub>CONH<sub>2</sub>, m. 80.5°.<sup>359</sup>
PhSCH (CMe<sub>3</sub>) CH<sub>2</sub>CONH<sub>2</sub>, m. 98°. 359
PhSCHPhCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 105°; D m. 88, L m. 88; Et ester, b<sub>10</sub>
    183°; d 20/4 1.125; n 26/D 1.5785; amide, m. 89°; D m. 104°,
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PhCH₂SCHPhCH₂CO₂H, m. 81°.⁶²
p-MeC₆H₄SCHPhCH₂CO₂H, m. 60°.^{318b}
PhSCMe₂CH₂CO₂H, b₁₂ 196°.⁴⁰⁸
PhSCH₂CH₂CO₂H, m. 69°,¹⁵ 63°,⁷⁵ 60°; ³³ b₅ 182°,¹⁵ b₁₉
212°; chloride, b₁₀ 168–70°; amide, m. 91°.⁷⁵
p-MeC₆H₄SCH₂CH₂CH₂CO₂H, m. 81°; b₄ 180°.¹⁵
β-C₁₀H₇SCH₂CH₂CH₂CO₂H, m. 89°.¹⁵
PhSCH₂CH₂CH₂CO₂H, m. 57°; b₂₀ 222°; ⁷⁵ Et ester, b_{0.2}
121–4°; ³³ chloride, b₂₀ 177°; amide, m. 99°.⁷⁵

Alkyl- and Arylmercapto Unsaturated Acids

EtSCH:CHCO₂H, m. 84°.^{140b}
BuSCH:CHCO₂Et, b₂ 100–7°; d 20/4 0.9992; n 20/D 1.4990.⁹⁹
OctSCH:CHCO₂Et, b_{0.23-0.3} 130–4°; n 20/D 1.4941–50.⁹⁹
t-C₁₂H₂₅SCH:CHCO₂Et, b_{0.42-0.6} 138–52°; n 20/D 1.5005.⁹⁹
PhSCH:CHCO₂H, m. 128.5°, ⁹⁸ 122°; Et ester, b₂₋₃ 145–50°.⁹⁷
PhCH₂SCH:CHCO₂H, cis, m. 145°; trans, m. 163°; cis and trans. m. 126°.³²⁴

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p-MeC₆H₄SCH:CHCO₂H, m. 107°.⁹⁸ p-ClC₆H₄SCH:CHCO₂H, m. 98–112°.⁹⁸ 3,4-Cl₂C₆H₃SCH:CHCO₂H, m. 98–128°.⁹⁸ MeSCMe:CHCO₂Me, m. 58°;b₁₂ 117°.³⁶⁹

EtSCMe:CHCO₂H, normal, m. 113°; ⁹ Me ester, b₁₄ 116–32°; Et ester, b. 238°, ³⁷⁰ b₇₆₆ 195°, ^{335a} b₁₅ 114–7°, ³⁴⁷ b₁₆ 139–41°; ³⁷⁰ iso, m. 92°, ⁹ 91°, ^{335a} 86°; ³⁴⁷ Et ester, b. 232–6°, b₁₄ 125–6°, b₁₆ 127–9°. ³⁷⁰

PrSCMe:CHCO₂H, m. 70°; Et ester, b₁₅ 117-20°.³⁴⁷

 $AmSCMe: CHCO_2Et, b_{15} 126-8^{\circ}.^{347}$

PhSCMe:CHCO₂H, m. 177°. 128

PhCH₂SCMe:CHCO₂H, m. 134°,³⁴⁷ 2 isomers, m. 130° and 194°; ⁹ Me ester, m. 73°,³⁶⁹ 70°; Et ester, m. 64.5°,³⁷⁰ 68°; b₁₅ 155–60°; ³⁴⁷ iso Et ester, b₁₂ 193°. ³⁶⁹

PhSCPh:CHCO₂H, m. 193°.⁷⁶

PhCH₂SC(:CHOMe)CH₂CO₂H, m. 67°.³²⁴

Substituted Sulfide-Acids

Hydroxy and Ether Acids

HOCH₂SCH₂CO₂H, anilide, m. 92°.^{380a} HOCHPrSCH₂CO₂H, anilide, m. 75°.^{380a}

HOCH₂CH₂SCH₂CO₂H, lactone, m. 45-50°; p-aniside, m. 78°; p-phenetide, m. 81°.^{28d}

HOCH₂CH₂CCH₂CO₂Me, b₁₈ 159-63°,³⁵¹ b₉ 138.5°, b₁₉ 153°; d 20/4 1.161; n 20/D 1.4908.²¹⁵

HOCH₂CH₂S(CH₂)₁₀CO₂H, m. 69°.351

PhCH₂SCH (OH) CO₂H, m. 128°.415

PhSCMe (OH) CO₂H, m. 87°, 128 85°.891d

PhCH₂SCMe (OH) CO₂H, m. 82°. 335b

 $2,4-(O_2N)_2C_6H_3SCH_2CH(OH)CO_2H$, m. $168^{\circ}.^{257}$

 $MeSCH_2CH_2CH(OH)CO_2H$, S-benzyl isothiuronium salt, m. $157^{\circ}.^{208}$

PhCH₂SCH₂CH₂CHOH (CH₂)₄CO₂H, m. 63°, 398

PhOCH₂CH₂SCH₂CO₂H, m. 48°.394

PhOCH₂CH₂CH₂CCH₂CO₂H, b₁ 185°; Me ester, b₂₋₃ 170-8°. 394

BuOCH₂CH₂OCH₂CH₂SCH₂CO₂H, b₁ 160°; n 25/D 1.4790.³⁹⁴

PhCH₂SCH (CH₂CH₂OMe) CO₂H, m. 67°.824

PhCH₂SCH (CH₂OMe) CH₂CO₂H, n 18/D 1.5453.824

Halogen Substituted

ClCH₂CH₂SCH₂CH₂CO₂Me, b₉ 125°; d 25/4 1.1953; n 25/D 1.4920.³⁵¹

MeSCCl₂CO₂Me, b₁₂ 92°.44

EtSCH₂CHClCO₂Me, b₁₂ 96-100°.⁵⁶

Me₂CHSCH₂CHClCO₂Me, b₁₂ 101°.⁵⁶

CCl₃CH (OH) SCH₂CO₂H, anilide, m. 112°.380a

PhCHBrCHBrSCH₂CO₂H, m. 109-12°.210

Keto Substituted

MeCOCH₂SCH₂CO₂H, m. 45°; b₁₁ 183-5°; ^{378b} amide, m. 144°. ³⁹² PhCOCH₂SCH₂CO₂H, m. 102°, ^{206a} 101°; ^{31, 392} amide, m. 158°; ⁸⁹² oxime, m. 127°. ^{206a}

PhCOCHPhSCH₂CO₂H, m. 105°.31

PhCOCH₂CHPhSCH₂CO₂H, m. 129°.318a

p-AcHNC₆H₄COCH₂SCH₂CO₂H, m. 92.5°. 134

PhCOCHPhSCHMeCO₂H, m. 111° and 155°.²²⁵

PhCOCHPhSCMe₂CO₂H, m. 130°.²²⁵

PhCOCH₂SCH₂CH₂CO₂H, m. 46-9°; hydrate, m. 62°.^{208c}

OC(CH₂SCH₂CO₂H)₂, m. 150°.378a

MeSCH (COMe) CO₂Et, b₁₄ 140°. 56

MeSCH (CH₂COPh) CO₂H, m. 63°.⁵¹

PhSCH (CH₂COPh) CO₂H, m. 123°.⁵¹

PhCH₂SCH (CH₂COPh) CO₂H, m. 134°.⁵¹

MeSCH₂COCO₂H, m. 147°, 330 149°; 329 Et ester, b₁₅ 105°. 329, 330

PhCH₂SCH₂COCO₂H, m. 128°.329

 $p\text{-MeC}_6H_4SCH_2COCO_2H$, m. 123°. 329

p-ClC₆H₄SCH₂COCO₂H, m. 137°.329

p-BrC₆H₄SCH₂COCO₂H, m. 143°. 329

p-IC₆H₄SCH₂COCO₂H, m. 152°.³²⁹

PhCH₂SCH₂CH₂CO (CH₂)₄CO₂H, m. 65°.³⁹³

3-(2-Me-1,4-naphthoquinone) SCH₂CH₂CO₂H, m. 161.¹⁷⁸

Pyridyl- and Quinolylmercaptoacids

2-pyridylSCH₂CO₂H, anhydro compound, m. 180°. 119

 $3.5 - I_2C_5H_2N \cdot SCH_2CH_2CO_2H - 4$, m. $213^{\circ}.^{252}$

2-quinolylSCH₂CO₂H, m. 90°; anhydro compound, m. 194°; Et ester, m. 91.5°; amide, m. 126°. 119

4-Me-2-quinolylSCH₂CO₂H, m. 117°; anhydro compound, m. 227°. 119

3,4-Me₂-2-quinolylSCH₂CO₂H, m. 134°; anhydro compound, m. 225°. 119

4,8-Me₂-2-quinolylSCH₂CO₂H, m. 132°. 119

2-quinolylSCHMeCO₂H, m. 101°; anhydro compound, m. 148°. 119

4-Me-2-quinolylSCHMeCO₂H, m. 139°; anhydro compound, m. 136°. 119

2-quinolylSCHEtCO₂H, m. 114°; anhydro compound, m. 162°. 119 2-quinolylSCH₂CO₂H, m. 87°. 119

Miscellaneous

NCCH₂CH₂SCH₂CO₂H, m. 73° ; ³⁹⁴ Me ester, b₃ 103° ; ⁴²¹ Et ester, b₃ $120-5^{\circ}$, ³⁰⁸ b₁₆ 169° ; d 20/4 1.126; n 20/D $1.4810.^{215}$

NCCH₂CH:CHCH₂SCH₂CO₂Et, b_{0.3} 136–40°. 131

 $HSCH_2CH_2SCH_2CH_2CO_2H$, m. 37.5°; b₂ 166–71°; Et ester, b₉ 149–50°.351

HSCH₂CH₂S(CH₂)₁₀CO₂H, m. 119°.351

NH₂CH₂CH₂SCH₂CH₂CO₂Et, b_{0.5-0.6} 115-118°.39

Me₃SiCH₂CH₂SCH₂CO₂H, b₇ 143-4°; n 20/D 1.4811.⁵⁷

Et₃SiCH₂CH₂SCH₂CO₂H, b₁₂ 184-6°. ^{272d}

 $Me_3Si(CH_2)_3SCH_2CO_2H$, b_9 164–6°; n 20/D 1.4790.57

 $Me_3SiOSiMe_2(CH_2)_3SCH_2CO_2H$, b_2 149–50.2°; d_{20} 0.9903; n 20/D 1.4588.⁵⁷

(EtO) $_3{\rm Si}\,({\rm CH_2})\,_3{\rm SCH_2CO_2Et},\,b_{50}\,200{\text --}1.5\,^\circ;\,d\,20/4\,1.0301\,;\,n\,20/D\,1.4479.^{68}$

Sulfide Benzoic Acids

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o-MeSC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, dipole moment 2.47.<sup>136</sup>
m	ext{-}MeSC_6H_4CO_2H, m. 129^{\circ}, ^{116}, ^{446} 127^{\circ}, ^{336}, ^{388} 126^{\circ}; ^{20}, ^{52}, ^{405}
    Et ester, b<sub>6</sub> 148-8.2°; <sup>336</sup> chloride, b<sub>8</sub> 123°; <sup>116</sup> -CONHCH<sub>2</sub>-
    CH<sub>2</sub>NEt<sub>2</sub>, citrate, m. 74°.<sup>291</sup>
p-MeSC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 192°, 20, 336 190°; 387 Et ester, m. 28°; b<sub>15</sub>
    168°, 245 b<sub>14</sub> 170-4.5°; 20 n 20/D 1.5784; 336 chloride, m. 54°; 78,
    <sup>79</sup> amide, m. 191°; <sup>72</sup> —CONHNHSO<sub>2</sub>Ph, m. 237°. <sup>20</sup>
o-EtSC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 134°; chloride, b<sub>3</sub> 133°. 116
m-EtSC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 98°; chloride, b<sub>3</sub> 127°. 116
p\text{-EtSC}_6H_4CO_2H, m. 146°, 10 145°; chloride, b<sub>3</sub> 118°; 116 amide,
    m. 170°; anilide, m. 158°.10
o-PrSC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 124°,418 121°; chloride, b<sub>3</sub> 145°.116
m-PrSC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 104°; chloride, b<sub>3</sub> 138°. 116
p-PrSC_6H_4CO_2H, m. 145°.72
o-BuSC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 98°; chloride, b<sub>3</sub> 151°. 116
m\text{-BuSC}_6\mathrm{H}_4\mathrm{CO}_2\mathrm{H},\ \mathrm{m.\ 103}^\circ;\ \mathrm{chloride},\ \mathrm{b}_3\ 147^\circ,^{116}\ \mathrm{b}.\ 185\text{--}7^\circ;\ \mathrm{Me}
    ester, b<sub>16</sub> 172°; amide, m. 96°; -CONHCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>NEt<sub>2</sub>, citrate,
    m. 74°.291
p\text{-BuSC}_6\text{H}_4\text{CO}_2\text{H}, m. 122°.72
o-CH<sub>2</sub>:CHCH<sub>2</sub>SC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 114°.418
o-CH<sub>3</sub>CH:CHSC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 146°.418
2-C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>3</sub>S·SC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H-o, m. 197°; amide, m. 201°.403
3-C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>3</sub>S·SC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H-o, m. 191°.402
3-(2.5-Me_2C_4HS)SC_6H_4CO_2H-o, m. 199.5^{\circ}.401
o-PhSC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 166°.435
p-PhCH<sub>2</sub>SC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 190°; Et ester, m. 60°. 126
o-HOCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>SC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 126°. 157
5.2-EtS(HO)C_6H_3CO_2H, m. 92-5^{\circ}.^{265}
2,3,5-PrSCl<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 66.5°.418
2,3,5-CH<sub>2</sub>:CHCH<sub>2</sub>SCl<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 87°.418
2,3,5-CH<sub>3</sub>CH:CHSCl<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 74.5°.418
2,5-EtSBrC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 142°.<sup>265</sup>
2,4-O_2N(Cl)C_6H_3SC_6H_4CO_2H-o, m. 156.5^{\circ}.^{296}
2,5-O_2N(Cl)C_6H_3SC_6H_4CO_2H-o, m. 189^{\circ}.^{296}
4,3-MeS(NO<sub>2</sub>)C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 240°; Me ester, m. 117°; amide,
    m. 209°.115
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- 2,4-EtS(NO₂)C₆H₃CO₂H, m. 212°.³⁸³
- 4,3-EtS(NO₂)C₆H₃CO₂H, m. 231°; Me ester, m. 130°; amide, m. 214°. 115
- 4,3-PrS(NO₂)C₆H₃CO₂H, m. 234°; Me ester, m. 97°; amide, m. 187°. 115
- 4,3-PhCH₂S(NO₂)C₆H₃CO₂H, m. 216°; Me ester, m. 138°. 115
- $2,4-(NO_2)_2C_6H_3SC_6H_4CO_2H-o$, m. 180°; Me ester, m. 117.5°.296
- $2,4,6-(NO_2)_3C_6H_2SC_6H_4CO_2H-o, m. 241^\circ$; Me ester, m. $181.5^\circ.296$
- 4,3-MeS(NH₂)C₆H₃CO₂H, Me ester, m. 61°; b₄ 170°; amide, m. 166°. 115
- $2,4-EtS(NH_2)C_6H_3CO_2H$, m. $146^{\circ}.^{383}$
- 4,3-EtS(NH₂)C₆H₃CO₂H, Me ester, b₄ 180°; n 23/D 1.5936; amide, m. 156° .¹¹⁵
- $5.2-EtS(NH_2)C_6H_3CO_2Et$, m. $138^{\circ}.^{265}$
- 4,3-PrS(NH₂)C₆H₃CO₂H, Me ester, m. 24°; b₆ 182°; n 24.5/D 1.5936; amide, m. 118°. 115
- 4,3-PhCH₂S(NH₂)C₆H₃CO₂Me, m. 76-8°; b_{4.5} 234°. 115
- o-PhSOCH₂CH₂SC₆H₄CO₂H, m. 202°. 143
- o-PhSO₂CH₂CH₂SC₆H₄CO₂H, m. 203°. 144
- o-MeSC₆H₄CH₂CO₂H, m. 128°; amide, m. 165°. 258
- p-MeSC₆H₄CH₂CO₂H, m. 94°; Me ester, b₃ 179-81°; —CONH-CH₂CH₂OH, m. 117°.95
- *p*-PhSC₆H₄CH₂CO₂H, b_{0.05} 163°; —CONHCH₂CH₂OH, m. 90°. 95
- $p-\text{MeSC}_6\text{H}_4\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{H}, \text{ m. } 54^{\circ},^{71} 49^{\circ}.^{73}$
- p-MeSC₆H₄(CH₂)₄CO₂H, m. 82°; amide, m. 128°.73
- $p\text{-MeSC}_6H_4CO(CH_2)_2CO_2H$, m. 157°,71 153°.73
- p-MeSC₆H₄CO(CH₂)₃CO₂H, m. 136°; Et ester, m. 44°.⁷³
- RSCHPhNHC₆H₄CO₂H-o, R *i*-Pr, m. 99°; Bu, m. 92°; *i*-Bu, m. 96°; *t*-Bu, m. 100°; Ph, m. 98°; *p*-MeC₆H₄-, m. 120°. 396

Alkyl- and Arylmercapto Dibasic Acids

 $MeSCH(CO_2Et)_2$, b_{14} 155°.56

EtSCH (CO₂Et)₂, b₁₃ 166°.⁵⁶

EtS(Et)C(CONH)₂CO, m. 129°. 175

EtS(PhCH₂)C(CONH)₂CO, m. 180°. 175

PhS(Et)C(CONH)₂CO, m. 184°. 175

PhS(PhCH₂)C(CONH)₂CO, m. 227°. ¹⁷⁵

MeSCH₂CMe(CO₂H)₂, diMe ester, b₁₆ 128–33°; diEt ester, b₁₈ 132–6°; barbiturate, m. 162°. 45

MeSCH₂CEt(CO₂H)₂, diEt ester, b₁₅ 143-8°; barbiturate, m. 187°. 45

MeSCH₂C(CH₂Ph) (CO₂H)₂, m. 164°; diEt ester, m. 54°; b₁₅ 199°; barbiturate, m. 210°. 45

EtSCH₂CMe(CO₂H)₂, diEt ester, b₁₃ 142-6°; barbiturate, m. 151°.⁴⁵

EtSCH₂CEt(CO₂H)₂, m. 108°; diEt ester, b₁₂ 148-51°; barbiturate, m. 164°.⁴⁵

EtSCH₂C (CHMe₂) (CO₂H)₂, diEt ester, b₁₂ 152-6°; barbiturate, m. 136°.⁴⁵

EtSCH₂CPh (CO₂H)₂, diEt ester, b₁₁ 191-3°; barbiturate, m. 206°. 45

EtSCH₂C(CH₂Ph) (CO₂H)₂, diEt ester, b₁₃ 203-6°; barbiturate, m. 207°. 45

EtSCHMeCMe (CO₂H)₂, diMe ester, b₁₂ 138-43°; barbiturate, m. 198°. 45

EtSCHMeCEt(CO₂H)₂, diEt ester, b₁₂ 147-50°; barbiturate, m. 161°.⁴⁵

PhCH₂SCH₂CEt(CO₂H)₂, diEt ester, m. 49°; b₁₁ 199–203°; barbiturate, m. 146°. 45

MeSCH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CO₂H₁, b₃₀ 166-7°; b₇₄₅ 275-80°; d 20/4 1.081; n 25/D 1.4675.440

PhCH₂SCH₂CHMeCH (CO₂Et)₂, b_{0.008} 147°.²⁵⁶

PhCH₂SCH₂CHMeCMe(CO₂H)₂ m. 120°; diEt ester, b_{0.003} 136°. ²⁵⁶

PhSCH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CO₂H)₂, m. 101°; diEt ester, b₂₀ 230°.⁷⁵ MeSCH₂CO₂H, m. 133°.⁸⁷

EtSCH (CO₂H) CH₂CO₂H, m. 126°, ^{140a} 119.5°; ⁸⁷ p m. 128°; [α] 20/D 139.3°; L m. 128°; [α] 19/D -139.3°. ^{140a}

PrSCH (CO₂H) CH₂CO₂H, m. 112°.87

BuSCH (CO₂H) CH₂CO₂H, m. 144.5°.87

t-BuSCH (CO₂H) CH₂CO₂H, m. 164°.87

AmSCH (CO₂H) CH₂CO₂H, m. 99.5°.87

i-AmSCH (CO₂H) CH₂CO₂H, m. 215°.87

HexSCH(CO₂H)CH₂CO₂H, m. 81°.87

C₉H₁₉SCH (CO₂H) CH₂CO₂H, m. 105°; diEt ester, b₁ 160-4°.²⁵ C₁₁H₂₃SCH (CO₂H) CH₂CO₂H, m. 105°; anhydride, m. 36°; diEt ester, b₁ 174-6°.²⁵

C₁₂H₂₅SCH(CO₂H)CH₂CO₂H, m. 103°,²⁵ 97.5°; ⁸⁷ anhydride, m. 46°; diEt ester, b₁ 178–84°.²⁵

C₁₄H₂₉SCH (CO₂H) CH₂CO₂H, m. 104°; anhydride, m. 52°; diEt ester, b₁ 205°.²⁵

C₁₆H₃₃SCH (CO₂H)CH₂CO₂H, m. 105°; anhydride, m. 64°; diEt ester, b₁ 220-4°.²⁵

C₁₈H₃₇SCH (CO₂H)CH₂CO₂H, m. 105°; anhydride, m. 68.5°; diEt ester, b₂ 238-42°.25

C₆H₁₁SCH (CO₂H) CH₂CO₂H, m. 151°.437a

 $3-C_4H_3S-SCH(CO_2H)CH_2CO_2H$, m. $131^{\circ}.59$

PhCH₂SCH (CO₂H) CH₂CO₂H, m. 186°. 157

PhCH₂SCH₂CH (CO₂H) CH₂CO₂H, m. 109°; anhydride, m. 58.5°; diMe ester, b_{0.7} 154-6°; n 25/D 1.5250.³⁹⁷

EtSCH:C(CO₂Et)₂, b_{0.2} 127°. 176

MeSC (CH₂CO₂Et):CHCO₂Et, b₆ 135°.303b

EtSC (CH₂CO₂H):CHCO₂H, m. $155-63^{\circ}$. 335a

EtSC(CH₂CO₂H):CBrCO₂H, m. 131-41°.140b

Symmetrical Dibasic Acids

 $S(CO_2Et)_2$, b. $180^{\circ}.^{299}$

 $S(CH_2CO_2H)_2$, m. 129° , 7 , 114 , 205a , 377 , 379 , 381a 126° ; 441 K_1 4.9×10^{-2} , 287c 4.8×10^{-2} ; 233 K_2 3.5×10^{-5} ; 278a conductivity; 2 , 284 , 323 , 439 anhydride, m. 102° , 7 101° ; b_{12} $158-9^{\circ}$, 269 b_{10} 158° ; 7 acid salts HK, m. 129° ; H_3 K, m. 229° ; 118 diMe ester, b_{11} 135° ; 7 diEt ester, b. $267-8^{\circ}$, 441 $240-50^{\circ}$; 381b diBu ester, b_2 131° ; 266 imide, m. 128° , 22 , 381b Bz, m. 153° ; Phenyl imide, m. 212° ; 346 thioamide, m. 125° ; 448 monoanilide, m. 103° ; 28b dianilide, m. 168° , 7 167° , 28a 158° , 423 147° , 313 Bz, m. 146° ; 423 mono-p-toluide, m. 102° , 28c 95° ; 7 Me ester-p-toluide, m. 39° ; Et ester-p-toluide, m. 47° ; 28c di-p-phenetide, m. 114° . 28c

S(CHMeCO₂H)₂, pl-m. 126.5°, ^{146a} 125°; ^{147b}, ^{286c}, ^{287a}, ^{287c} K₁ + K₂ K₂ 2.4 × 10⁻⁵; ^{273a} affinity K 0.049; ^{286c}, ^{287c} p- and l-m. 117°, [α] 197° and -198°; ^{147b} meso, m. 109°; affinity K 0.044, ^{286c} K₂ 2.7 × 10⁻⁵; ^{273a} eutectics; ^{146a}, ^{146d} anhydride b₁₄ 133–7°; n 20/D 1.5010; ²⁶⁹ imide 2 forms, m. 129° and 72°. ³⁴⁶

S(CHEtCO₂H)₂, meso-m. 109°,^{3a} 109.5°,^{3b} 105°; ^{287a} K₂ 2.6 × 10^{-5} ; ^{273a} DL-m. 82°,^{3a} 84°; ^{3b} L-m. 35°, [α] -152°; ^{3a} K₂ 2.5 × 10^{-5} ; ^{273a} anhydride, m. 15°; b₁₅ 149–50°; n 20/D 1.4942; ²⁶⁹ imide, m. 117°; phenyl imide 2 forms, m. 123° and 62°.³⁴⁶

- S(CH(CHMe₂)CO₂H)₂, meso-m. 136°; ^{3a} K₂ 1.4 × 10⁻⁵; ^{273a} DL-m. 118°, ^{3a} K₂ 1.6 × 10⁻⁵; ^{273a} L-m. 81.5°, [α] 25/D -126.5°; D-m. 81°; [α] 18/D 129°; diEt ester, b₁₃ 160–2°. ^{3a}
- $S(CMe_2CO_2H)_2$, m. 142°, 276b 138°; 195a K_1 2.5 \times 10⁻⁴, K_2 2.3 \times 10⁻⁵ at 18°; 276b imide, m. 157°; methyl imide, m. 120°. 346
- S(CH₂CH₂CO₂H)₂, m. 137.5°,¹⁶⁹ 134°,²⁹³ 133°,² 130°,¹⁶¹, ⁸¹⁴, ⁸⁷⁵ 128°,^{172a}, ^{286d} 126°; ¹⁴ K₁ + K₂; ² k 7.8 × 10⁻³; ^{286c}, ^{286d}, ^{287c} diMe ester b₁₀ 158–9°,²⁹³ b₈ 148.5–9°,¹⁶¹ b₁₈ 162°; ^{133c} d 20/4 1.154; n 20/D 1.4750; ¹⁶¹ diEt ester, b₁₅ 174°; d 20/4 1.1034; n 20/ α 1.4694, n 20/ β 1.4791; ³⁶ diDod ester, m. 39°; diCet ester, m. 53.5°; ²⁹³ diamide, m. 178.5°, ³⁶ 182°; di-N-Dod-amide, m. 140°; di-N-Cet-amide, m. 131°; ²⁹³ dianilide, m. 163.5, ³⁶ 165°; di-p-toluide, m. 199°.²⁹³
- S(CH₂CH₂CONHCO₂H)₂, diEt ester, m. 187°; di-i-Bu ester, m. 127°; diAm ester, m. 137.5°. 150
- S(CHMeCH₂CO₂H)₂, m. 85° and 64; ²⁸⁹ diMe ester, b₁₃ 152°, b₁₅ 156°; ⁸ diEt ester, b₁₂ 80°; ³⁶⁷ diBu ester, b₃ 141°; ⁸² (—CH₂-CHEtBu ester)₂, b₁ 200–1°; n 20/D 1.4656. ¹⁸⁰
- $S(CH_2CHMeCO_2H)_2$, m 115°; K_1 1.4 × 10⁻⁴, K_2 7.9 × 10⁻⁶ at 18°. 276b
- $S(CH_2CMe_2CO_2H)_2$, m. 163°.^{78, 79}
- $S(CH_2CH_2CH_2CO_2H)_2$, m. 100° , 271d 99°; 14 , 146b diMe ester, b_{20} 170°; n 20/D 1.4791; diEt ester, b_{11} 185°, b_{23} 196°; n 20/D 1.4701; 105 diamide, m. 152° . 41
- S(CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CO₂H)₂, m. 96°; $^{221, 272c}$ diMe ester, b₁₂ 205–10°. 272c
- S(CMe:CHCO₂H)₂, m. 215°; sol. water 0.1 at 20°; diMe ester, m. 23.5°; b_{0.6} 116-7°; diEt ester, b₄ 150-3°, ³⁶⁸ b₁₅ 155°; ^{303a} diamide, m. 192°. ³⁶⁸
- S(CH:CMeCO₂H)₂, m. 181°; diMe ester, b₅ 149-50°.³⁶⁸
- S(CH₂CH:CHCH₂CO₂H)₂, m. 155°. 131
- $S[CH(COMe)CO_2Et]_2$, m. 101° , 302° 90° , 111a, 259, 377° 81° , 64° 78° , 395° 76° . 65°
- $S[CMe(OH)CO_2H]_2$, m. 94°. 110
- α,α'-thiodibutyrolactone, m. 89°, b₂ 205°. 13
- $S[CH(CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2NH_2)CO_2H]_2$, m. 207°. 167
- S(CH₂CH₂SCH₂CO₂H)₂, m. 104°. 350

Symmetrical Dibasic Aromatic Acids

 $S(C_6H_4CO_2H-o)_2$, m. 230°; diMe ester, m. 84°; diEt ester, m. 58°.296

- S[C₆H₃(OH)CO₂H-4,3]₂, m. 274°,⁴, ²⁵³ 270°; Ac., m. 164°; Bz., m. 129°; diMe ester, m. 148°,¹⁹⁹ 147°; ²⁵³ Ac., m. 94°; ⁴, ¹⁹⁹ Bz., m. 117°; diEt ester, m. 92°; diPh ester, m. 158°; Ac., m. 144°; ¹⁹⁹ (—CH₂CH₂NMe₂ ester)₂, m. 270°; (—CH₂CH₂N-(CH₂)₅ ester)₂, m. 261°; di(methyl amide), m. 226°; di(dimethyl amide), m. 103°.²⁵³
- $S[C_6H_3(OMe)CO_2H-4,3]_2$, m. 157°. 199
- $S[C_6H_2Br(OH)CO_2H-5,4,3]_2$, m. 275°; diMe ester, m. 133°. 199
- $S[C_6H_2(OAc)(NO_2)CO_2Me-4,5,3]_2$, m. 245°.4
- $S[C_6H(OH)_2(NO_2)CO_2Me-2,6,5,3]_2$, m. 284°.²²⁷
- $S[C_6H(OH)(OAc)(NO_2)CO_2Me-2,6,5,3]_2$, m. 174°.227
- $S[C_6H(OH)(OMe)(NO_2)CO_2Me-2,6,5,3]_2$, m. 224°.227
- $S[C_{10}H_5(OH)CO_2Me-2,3]_2-\alpha$, m. 227°; diAc., m. 244°.227

Unsymmetrical Dibasic Acids

- HO₂CCH₂SCHClCO₂H, m. 99°.^{270b}
- HO₂CCH₂SCH(OH)CO₂H, m. 109°.^{270b}
- HO₂CCH₂SCHMeCO₂H, m. 88°; ^{286e, 394} K 0.048. ^{286e, 287c}
- $HO_2CCH_2SCMe(OH)CO_2H$, m. 110° ; $^{48a, 380a}$ monoanilide, m. 92° . 380a
- HO₂CCH₂SCHEtCONHC₆H₄Me-p, Et ester, m. 48°; amide, m. 140°; anilide, m. 136°.^{28e}
- ${
 m HO_2CCH_2SCMe_2CO_2H}$, m. 111°,276a 107.5°; 149 K₁ 3.3 imes 10⁻⁴, K₂ 2.0 imes 10⁻⁶ at 18°.276a
- HO₂CCHMeSCMe₂CO₂H, m. 111°; K_1 2.4 \times 10⁻⁴, K_2 1.5 \times 10⁻⁵ at 18°. ^{276a}
- HO₂CCHMeSCMeEtCO₂H, 4 DL-forms, m. 133°, 133°, 93°, and 89°.3b
- ${
 m HO_2CCH_2SCH_2CH_2CO_2H}$, m. 94°,172a, 176a, 286e, 375, 443 93°; 169 K₁ 2.3 × 10⁻⁴, K₂ 1.0 × 10⁻⁴ at 18°,276a K 0.025; 286e, 287c diEt ester, b₃ 121–3°,443 b₈ 136–8°,309b b₁₀ 148–50°,202, 239 b₁₂ 154–5°,61
- HO₂CCH₂SCH₂CH₂CO₂Et, b₃ 136-8°.308
- EtO₂CCH₂SCH₂CH₂CO₂Me, b₈ 142°; d 20/4 1.146; n 20/D 1.4700.²¹⁵
- HO₂CCH₂SCHMeCH₂CO₂H, m. 45°.²⁷⁴
- HO₂CCH₂SCH₂CHMeCO₂H, m. 72°; ^{270e} mono Et ester, b₁₃ 150–5°; ¹⁴⁹ diEt ester, b. 144°. ^{270e}
- HO₂CCH₂SCH₂CHEtCO₂H, b_{0.01} 70°; diEt ester, b₁₁ 145–50°. ¹⁶² EtO₂CCH₂SCHPhCH₂CO₂Et, b₂ 163–5°. ⁴¹¹

 $\text{HO}_2\text{CCHMeSCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{H}$, m. 73°, 286e 70°; 169 K 0.021; 286c, 287c diEt ester, $b_{10.5}$ 149–53°. 239

HO₂CCMe (OH) SCH₂CH₂CO₂H, m. 92°.^{209a}

 $\rm HO_2CCMe_2SCH_2CH_2CO_2H$, m. 109°; $\rm K_1$ 1.3 \times 10⁻⁴ at 25°, $\rm K_2$ 8.3 \times 10⁻⁴ at 18°. 276a

 ${
m HO_2CCMe_2SCH_2CHMeCO_2H}, {
m m. 153^\circ}; {
m K_1 1.7 \times 10^{-4}, {
m K_2}} \ 7.6 \times 10^{-5} {
m at 18^\circ.}^{276b}$

EtO₂CCHAmSCH₂CH₂CO₂Et, b_{0.02} 142°.²³⁶

HO₂CCH₂SCH₂CH₂CH₂CO₂H, m. 75°; diEt ester, b₄ 139–42°. ¹³² HO₂CCH₂CH₂SCH (CO₂H)CH₂CH₂CH₂OPh, m. 90.5°; ^{85b, 86} diMe ester, b₃ 200–10°; n 20/D 1.5248; ⁸⁶ diEt ester, b₃ 200–5°; n 20/D 1.5120. ^{85b, 86}

EtO₂CCH₂CH₂SCH (CO₂Et) CH₂CH₂CH₂OCH₂Ph, b₂ 200–16°; n 20/D 1.5118.86

EtO₂CCH₂CH₂SCH (CO₂Et) CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂OMe, b_{0.02} 145-8°. 372

 $\begin{array}{l} MeO_{2}CCH\,(OMe)\,CH_{2}SCH\,(CO_{2}Me)\,CH_{2}CH_{2}CH_{2}CH_{2}OMe,\,b_{0.005}\\ 140-5^{\circ}.^{372} \end{array}$

HO₂CCH₂SCH (CH₂COPh)CO₂H, hydrate, m. 75°.51

EtO₂CCH₂CH₂SCH (CO₂Et) CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CN, b_{0.01} 162–5°.²³⁸

HO₂CCH₂SCMe:CHCO₂H, m. 203° and 161°; diMe ester, b₁₂ 172-5°; diEt ester, m. 45°; b₁₀ 168-79°, ³⁶⁹ b₉ 116°. ⁸⁰

EtO₂CCHMeSCMe:CHCO₂Et, b₅ 124°.80

 $o\text{-HO}_2\text{CCH}_2\text{SC}_6\text{H}_4\text{CO}_2\text{H}$, m. 213°. 157

HO₂CCH₂SCHPhNHC₆H₄CO₂H-o, m. 91°.³⁹⁶

HO₂CCH₂CH₂SCHPhNHC₆H₄CO₂H-o, m. 116°.396

Tribasic Acids

HO₂CCH₂SCH (CO₂H) CH₂CO₂H, m. 139°,^{271b} 140.5°; ^{310a} triEt ester, b_{0.8} 140–5°; d 25/4 1.1498; n 25/D 1.4646; triPr ester, b_{0.2} 125–31°; tri-*i*-Pr ester, b_{0.4} 124–9°; triBu ester, b_{0.2} 161–3°; ³¹² b_{6.5} 214–6°; ³⁶³ d 25/4 1.0517, ³¹² d₃₀ 1.407; ³⁶³ n 25/D 1.4606, ³¹² n 30/D 1.4591; ³⁶³ tri-*i*-Bu ester, b_{0.37} 167–9°; d 25/4 1.042; n 25/D 1.4583; triHex ester, b_{0.4} 200–3°; d 25/4 1.013; n 25/D 1.4644; (Et₂CHCH₂-ester)₃, b_{0.4} 205–8°; d 25/4 1.012; n 25/D 1.4649; (BuEtCHCH₂-ester)₃, b_{0.37} 222–7°; d 25/4 0.9801; n 25/D 1.4663; ¹³⁷ tri-octadecyl ester, m. 50°; ³¹² N-Et imide, m. 91°; N-Ph imide, m. 154.5°.²⁹⁴

HO₂CCHMeSCH (CO₂H) CH₂CO₂H, m. 179°.^{271b}

HO₂CCMe₂SCH(CO₂H)CH₂CO₂H, m. 200°.^{271b}

HO₂CCH₂CH₂SCH (CO₂H) CH₂CO₂H, m. 155°, ¹⁶⁹ 151°. ^{271b}

HO₂CCHMeCH₂SCH (CO₂H) CH₂CO₂H, m. 184°.^{271b}

EtO₂CCH₂CH₂SCH (CO₂Et) CH₂CH₂CO₂Et, b_{0.02} 150–3°.^{236, 237}

HO₂CCH₂SCH (CO₂H)CH₂ (CH₂)₃CO₂H, triMe ester, b₁ 192-5°, ¹⁷, ¹⁸ 198°; ⁶⁰ triEt ester, b₃ 210-3°. ^{85a, 86}

o-HO₂CC₆H₄SCH(CO₂H)CH₂CO₂H, N-Et imide, m. 163.5°; N-Ph imide, m. 180°.²⁹⁴

EtO₂CCH₂SC(CH₂CO₂Et):CHCO₂Et, b₆ 170°.303b

EtO₂CCHMeSCMe:C(CO₂Et)₂, b₅ 125°.80

Tetra- and Hexabasic Acids

- S[CH(CO₂H)₂]₂, tetraMe ester, m. 122°; (—CONHPr)₄, m. 123°; (—CONH*i*-Bu)₄, m. 155°.³¹³
- $S[CH(CO_2H)CH_2CO_2H]_2$, m. 213°, 316 187°. 382
- S[CH(CO₂Me)CH₂CO₂Me]₂, m. 42°; $b_{0.5}$ 175°; d 20/4 1.2530; n 20/D 1.4779.³¹⁶, 817
- S[CH(CO₂Et)CH₂CO₂Et]₂, b_{5.5} 222°; d 20/4 1.1470; n 20/D 1.4643.³¹⁶, ³¹⁷
- S[CH(CO₂i-Pr)CH₂CO₂i-Pr]₂, b_{1.5} 185°; d 20/4 1.070; n 20/D 1.4538.³¹⁶, ³¹⁷
- S[CH(CO₂Bu)CH₂CO₂Bu]₂, b_{0.03} 156°; d 20/4 1.0526; n 30/D 1.4589.³¹⁶, ³¹⁷
- $S[CH(CO_2Hex)CH_2CO_2Hex]_2$, $b_{0.025}$ 183°; d 20/4 1.0065; n 30/D 1.4596.^{316, 817}
- S[CH(CO₂CH₂CHEt₂)CH₂CO₂CH₂CHEt₂]₂, b_{0.5} 231°; d 20/4 1.014; n 20/D 1.4654.⁸¹⁶, ³¹⁷
- S[CH(CO₂CH₂CHEtBu)CH₂CO₂CH₂CHEtBu]₂, b_{0.017} 183°; d 20/4 0.9803; n 30/D 1.4610.^{316, 317}
- $S[CH(CO_2CH_2CHMe(CH_2)_3CHMe_2)CH_2CO_2CH_2CHMe_-(CH_2)_3CHMe_2]_2$, $b_{0.002}$ 156°; d 20/4 0.9403; n 30/D 1.4527.³¹⁶, 317
- S[CH(CO₂CHMeCHEtHex)CH₂CO₂CHMeCHEtHex]₂, b_{0.020} 207°; d 20/4 0.9533; n 32/D 1.4620.³¹⁶
- S[CH(CO₂CH₂Ph)CH₂CO₂CH₂Ph]₂, m. 49.4°.317
- S[CH(CO₂CH₂CH:CH₂)CH₂CO₂CH₂CH:CH₂]₂, b_{0.4} 149°; d 20/4 1.147; n 20/D 1.4908.³¹⁶
- S[CH(CO₂CH₂CH₂Cl)CH₂CO₂CH₂CH₂Cl]₂, m. 84°.316
- $S[CH(CO_2CH_2CH_2OMe)CH_2CO_2CH_2CH_2OMe]_2$, m. 42°; b_{0.2} 220°.316, 817

 $S[CH(CO_2CH_2CH_2OPh)CH_2CO_2CH_2CH_2OPh]_2, m. 67^{\circ}.^{316}. ^{317}\\ S[CMe(CO_2Bu)CH_2CO_2Bu]_2, b_{1.5} 225^{\circ}; d 20/4 1.044; n 20/D \\ 1.4644.^{316}. ^{317}$

 $S[CH(CO_2Et)CH(CO_2Et)CH_2CO_2Et]_2$, $b_{0.003}$ 171°; d 20/4 1.1579; n 20/D 1.4681.316, 317

S[CH(CO₂Bu)CH(CO₂Bu)CH₂CO₂Bu]₂, b_{0.005} 183°; d 20/4 1.0603; n 20.5/D 1.4645.³¹⁶, ³¹⁷

Mercaptal Acids

 $H_2C(SCH_2CO_2H)_2$, m. 129° , 211 , 270a 127° ; 407a diEt ester, b_{14} $188-90^{\circ}$; 205b dianilide, m. 92° . 380a

 H_2C (SCHMeCO₂H)₂, DL- m. 156°, ^{146b} 152°; ^{407a} D- and L- m. 83.5°; meso- m. 82.5°; DL- solubility in water 3.35 g./l. at 25°; DL- and meso, K 4.2 \times 10⁻⁴. ^{146b}

 $H_2C(SCH_2CH_2CO_2H)_2$, m. 143° , 209a 142° , 407a 141° . 169

H₂C(SCH₂CH₂CH₂CO₂H)₂, m. 120°; diBu ester, b_{0.5} 200°.414

MeCH(SCH₂CO₂H)₂, m. 110°,^{205b} 108°; ^{48b} diEt ester, b₂ 156–8°; ^{205b} p-aniside, m. 168°; p-phenetide, m. 171°.^{28c}

MeCH (SCHMeCO₂H)₂, m. 80°.355

MeCH(SCH₂CH₂CO₂H)₂, m. 63°.^{209a}

EtCH (SCH₂CO₂H)₂, m. 75°.^{205a}

EtCH (SCH₂CH₂CO₂H)₂, m. 94.5°. 209a

PrCH (SCH₂CO₂H)₂, m. 63°; 355 anilide, m. 75°. 380a

 $PrCH(SCHMeCO_2H)_2$, m. 59°.355

 $C_6H_{13}CH(SCH_2CO_2H)_2$, m. 57°.355

 $C_6H_{13}CH(SCH_2CH_2CO_2H)_2$, m. 67°.355

 $PhCH(SCH_2CO_2H)_2$, m. 127° , $^{205b, 211}$ 124° . 407a

PhCH (SCHMeCO₂H)₂, m. 140°,²¹¹ 150°.^{407a}

PhCH (SCH₂CH₂CO₂H)₂, m. 90°, 407a 89°. 209a

 $PhCH_2CH\left(SCH_2CO_2H\right)_2,\ m.\ 100^{\circ}.^{205c}$

 $PhCH_2CH (SCH_2CH_2CO_2H)_2$, m. $110^{\circ}.^{209a}$

 $PhCH_2CH_2CH(SCH_2CO_2H)_2$, m. $111^{\circ}.^{205c}$

PhCH₂CH₂CH(SCH₂CH₂CO₂H)₂, m. 73°.^{209a}

PhCH:CHCH(SCH₂CH₂CO₂H)₂, m. 95°.^{209a}

2-C₄H₃S·CH (SCH₂CH₂CO₂H)₂, m. 88°.^{209a}

 $p\text{-MeOC}_6H_4CH(SCH_2CO_2H)_2$, m. 122.5°.355

 $p\text{-MeOC}_6H_4CH(SCHMeCO_2H)_2$, m. 141°.355

 $p\text{-MeOC}_6H_4CH(SCH_2CH_2CO_2H)_2$, m. 110.5°.355

 $3,4-MeO(HO)C_6H_3CH(SCH_2CO_2H)_2$, m. $135^{\circ},^{355}$ $138^{\circ},^{205c}$ $137^{\circ}.^{205b}$

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3,4-\text{MeO}(\text{HO})\,C_6H_3\text{CH}(\text{SCH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{H})_2, \text{ m. } 124^{\circ}.^{209a} 2,3-(\text{MeO})_2C_6H_3\text{CH}(\text{SCH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{H})_2, \text{ m. } 135^{\circ}.^{355} 2,3-(\text{MeO})_2C_6H_3\text{CH}(\text{SCH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{H})_2, \text{ m. } 100^{\circ}.^{355} 3,4-(\text{MeO})_2C_6H_3\text{CH}(\text{SCH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{H})_2, \text{ m. } 122^{\circ},^{355} 126^{\circ}.^{205c} 3,4-(\text{MeO})_2C_6H_3\text{CH}(\text{SCH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{H})_2, \text{ m. } 89^{\circ}.^{209a} 3,4-\text{CH}_2(\text{O})_2C_6H_3\text{CH}(\text{SCH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{H})_2, \text{ m. } 135.5^{\circ}.^{355} 3,4-\text{CH}_2(\text{O})_2C_6H_3\text{CH}(\text{SCH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{H})_2, \text{ m. } 130^{\circ}.^{355} C_4H_3\text{O}\cdot\text{CH}(\text{SCH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{H})_2, \text{ m. } 105^{\circ},^{48b} 109^{\circ}.^{205b} \text{HO}_2\text{CCH}(\text{SCH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{H})_2, \text{ m. } 132^{\circ}.^{209a} [\text{CH}(\text{SCH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{H})_2]_2, \text{ m. } 189^{\circ}.^{355} [\text{CH}(\text{SCH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{H})_2]_2, \text{ m. } 162^{\circ}.^{355}
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Mercaptole Acids

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Me_2C(SCH_2CO_2H)_2, m. 135^{\circ}, ^{48a}, ^{385} 127^{\circ}, ^{48b} 129^{\circ}; ^{407a} diEt ester,
  b<sub>1.8</sub> 152-3°; d 20/4 1.1350; n 20/D 1.4070; 385 dianilide, m.
   170°.28a
Me_2C(SCHMeCO_2H)_2, m. 174°, 407a 171°. 355
Me<sub>2</sub>C(SCHEtCO<sub>2</sub>H)<sub>2</sub>, p-toluide, m. 155°.<sup>28e</sup>
Me_2C(SCH_2CH_2CO_2H)_2, m. 70^{\circ},^{407a} 89°. ^{209a}
MeEtC (SCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H)<sub>2</sub>, m. 111°,<sup>205c</sup> 107.5°.<sup>355</sup>
MeEtC(SCHMeCO<sub>2</sub>H)<sub>2</sub>, m. 127°. 355, 407a
MeEtC(SCH_2CH_2CO_2H)_2, m. 54°.<sup>209a</sup>
MePrC(SCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H)<sub>2</sub>, m. 113°.<sup>209c</sup>
Me(i-Bu)C(SCH_2CO_2H)_2, m. 85°.355
Me(i-Bu)C(SCH_2CH_2CO_2H)_2, m. 101.5°.355
MeAmC(SCH_2CO_2H)_2, m. 75°.355
MeAmC(SCHMeCO_2H)_2, m. 123°.355
MeAmC(SCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H)<sub>2</sub>, m. 89°. 355
Et_2C(SCH_2CO_2H)_2, m. 126°, 385 126.5°; 209c diEt ester, b<sub>2</sub> 162-3°;
  d 20/4 1.1120; n 20/D 1.4969.385
Et_2C(SCH_2CH_2CO_2H)_2, m. 98°. 209a
Pr_2C(SCH_2CO_2H)_2, m. 134°; diEt ester, b<sub>3</sub> 178-9°; d 20/4
   1.0740; n 20/D 1.4709.<sup>385</sup>
Bu_2C(SCH_2CO_2H)_2, m. 87°; diEt ester, b<sub>3</sub> 183-4°; d 20/4 1.0251;
  n 20/D 1.4862.<sup>385</sup>
(C_6H_{13})_2C(SCH_2CO_2H)_2, m. 85°.355
(C_6H_{13})_2C(SCHMeCO_2H)_2, m. 114°.355
C_6H_{10}(SCH_2CO_2H)_2, m. 140°, 205¢ 132°. 355
C_6H_{10}(SCHMeCO_2H)_2, m. 126°.355
C_6H_{10}(SCH_2CH_2CO_2H)_2, m. 97°. 209a
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MePhC(SCH₂CO₂H)₂, m. 135°.²¹⁰

MePhC(SCH₂CH₂CO₂H)₂, m. 112°.^{209a}

MePhCH₂C(SCH₂CO₂H)₂, m. 130°.^{209c}

 $MePhCH_2C(SCH_2CH_2CO_2H)_2$, m. $118^{\circ}.^{209a}$

Me (p-HOC₆H₄) C (SCH₂CO₂H)₂, m. 122° with decomposition.³⁵⁵ Me (p-PhC₆H₄)₂C (SCH₂CO₂H)₂, m. 172° with decomposition.³⁵⁵

PrPhC(SCH₂CO₂H)₂, m. 156°.355

PrPhC (SCH₂CH₂CO₂H)₂, m. 104.³⁵⁵

Ph₂C(SCH₂CH₂CO₂H)₂, m. 148.5°.^{209a}

 $CH_2[CMe(SCH_2CO_2H)_2]_2$, m. 121° with decomposition.³⁵⁵ [· $CH_2CMe(SCH_2CO_2H)_2$]₂, m. 166°.³⁵⁴

[•CH₂CMe (SCHMeCO₂H)₂]₂, m. 190° with decomposition.³⁵⁵

[·CH₂CMe(SCH₂CH₂CO₂H)₂]₂, m. 175° with decomposition.³⁵⁵

Mercaptals and Mercaptoles of Acids

(MeS)₂CHCO₂H, m. 79°; 415 Et ester, b₁₂ 115-7°.48

(EtS)₂CHCO₂Et, b₁₂ 130–3°.46

(BuS)₂CHCONH₂, m. 105°. 117

(PhCH₂S)₂CHCO₂H, m. 112°.415

(PhCH:CHS)₂CHCO₂H, m. 115°.²¹⁰

 $(p-NH_2C_6H_4S)_2CHCOOH$, m. 119°, diAc., m. 230-5°.38

(EtS)₂CMeCO₂H, m. 60°, ¹²⁸ 62°; ^{335a} NH₄ salt, m. 176°. ⁵⁵

(PhS)₂CMeCO₂H, m. 117°, amide, m. 93°. 128

(PhCH₂S)₂CMeCO₂H, m. 100°.335b

(PhS)₂CPhCO₂H, m. 143°. 128

(BuS)₂CHCH₂CO₂Et, b₁ 138-43°; n 20/D 1.4866.99

(OctS)₂CHCH₂CO₂Et, b_{0.15} 176-97°; n 20/D 1.4820.99

 $(EtS)_2CMeCH_2CO_2Et$, b_{37} 137–8°; d 16/16 1.0341.335a

 $(PhS)_2CMeCH_2CO_2H$, m. 58°.¹²⁸

(EtS)₂CMeCHMeCO₂Et, b₂₉ 125°, b₃₉ 132°; d 15/4 1.0575; n 15/D 1.51326.^{335a}

(EtS)₂CMeCHEtCO₂Et, b₃₉ 138°, b₄₉ 152°; d 16/4 1.0071; n 15/D 1.49394. 335a

(PhS)₂CMeCH₂CH₂CO₂H, m. 69°. 128

 $(EtS)_2C(COMe)CO_2Et$, b_{14} 164°. 56

(EtS)₂C(CH₂CO₂H)₂, m. 141°; diEt ester, b₃₀ 192°; d 17/4 1.1006; n 25/D 1.5051.^{335a}

 $Me(HO_2C)C(SCH_2CO_2H)_2$, m. 165° , 205c 162° , 48b 160° . 48a

 $Me(HO_2CCH_2)C(SCH_2CO_2H)_2$, m. 147°. 205c

Me(EtO₂CCH₂)C(SCH₂CO₂H)₂, m. 96°; ^{48b} triEt ester, m. 101°. ^{205c}

Me(EtO₂CCH₂)C(SCH₂CH₂CO₂H₂, m. 130°.^{209a}

 $Me(HO_2CCH_2CH_2)C(SCH_2CO_2H)_2$, m. 154°.48b

 $Me(HO_2CCH_2CH_2)C(SCH_2CH_2CO_2H)_2$, m. 143°. 209a

Ph(HO₂C)C(SCH₂CH₂CO₂H)₂, m. 162°.^{209a}

Ph(HO₂CCH₂SCH₂)C(SCH₂CO₂H)₂, m. 150°.^{206a}

(MeS)₂C:CHCO₂H, m. 197°,²⁴¹ 97°; ²⁴⁰ Et ester, m. 56°; ^{240, 267} b₁₅ 164°.^{240, 241}

(•CH₂S)₂C:CHCO₂H, m. 150°.²⁴⁰

 $(MeS)_2C:C(CN)CO_2Et$, m. 57°; 240, 241 b₃₀ 215°.240

(EtS)₂C:C(CN)CO₂Et, m. 84°,²⁴⁰ b_{1.5} 180°.²⁴¹

 $(PhCH_2S)_2C:C(CN)CO_2Et$, m. 84°.²⁴¹

CH₂(CH₂S)₂C:C(CN)CO₂Et, m. 92°.²⁴⁰

 $(MeS)_2C:C(CO_2Et)_2, b_{15} 196^{\circ}.^{240, 241}$

 $({}^{\circ}CH_2S)_2C:C(CO_2Et)_2, b_{2.5} 202^{\circ}.^{240}$

CH₂(CH₂S)₂C:C(COOH)₂, m. 215° with decomposition.²⁴⁰

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PhSCH₂CH₂SCH₂CO₂H, m. 51°. 143

PhSO₂CH₂CH₂SCH₂CO₂H, m. 84°. 144

PhSCH₂CH₂CH₂SCH₂CO₂H, m. 79.¹⁴³

(MeSCH₂)₂CHCO₂H, m. 25°.²²⁹. ²³⁰

PhCH₂SCH₂CH₂CH (SCH₂Ph) CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CO₂H, m. 69°, 349 65°. 393

(•CH₂SCH₂CO₂H)₂, m. 109°,^{270a.} ³⁴⁴ 108.5°,¹⁶⁹ 108°,^{12, 353b} 107°,⁸⁸ 105°; ¹⁵⁷ diMe ester, b₁₁ 190°; d₂₅ 1.2332; n 25/D 1.524; diEt ester, b₁₁ 198°; d₂₅ 1.1609; n 25/D 1.510; diamide, m. 175.5°; ^{422a} dianilide, m. 158°; ^{28b} di-p-aniside, m. 178°; di-p-phenetide, m. 197°; ^{28d} di-p-toluide, m. 205°. ^{422a}

(•CH₂SCHMeCO₂H)₂, dl- m. 90°; meso- m. 118°; 353b dianilide, m. 174°. 28b

(•CH₂SCHEtCO₂H)₂, dianilide, m. 125° ; ^{28b} di-p-toluide, m. 202° . ^{28e}

(·CH₂SCHPhCO₂H)₂, DL- m. 128°; meso- m. 158°. 353b

(•CH₂SCMe₂CO₂H)₂, m. 168°. 353b

CH₂(CH₂SCH₂CO₂H)₂, m. 72°,^{270a} 71.6°,³⁶⁰ 71.5°; ¹⁶⁹ b₁₅ 207–8°; d₁₉ 1.492 solid; diMe ester, b₁₅ 207–8°; d 16/4 1.210; diEt ester, b₂₃ 224–5°; d 16/4 1.143; diamide, m. 127°; ³⁶⁰ dianilide, m. 155°; ^{28b} di-*p*-aniside, m. 139°; di-*p*-phenetide, m. 147°.^{28d}

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(•CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H)<sub>2</sub>, m. 122°, 270a 121°.394
CH<sub>2</sub>(CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H)<sub>2</sub>, m. 94°, 270a 92°.88
(\cdot CH_2CH_2CH_2SCH_2CO_2H)_2, m. 119°.270a
(•CH<sub>2</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H)<sub>2</sub>, m. 159.5°, 353° 159°, 189 153°, 105 148°; 249
   diMe ester, m. 30.5°; b<sub>0.5</sub> 177°; n 31/D 1.5062.106
CH_2(CH_2SCH_2CH_2CO_2H)_2, m. 110.5^{\circ}, <sup>169</sup> 109^{\circ}. <sup>275</sup>
(\cdot CH_2CH_2SCH_2CH_2CO_2H)_2, m. 108^{\circ}.^{169}, ^{275}
CH<sub>2</sub>(CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H)<sub>2</sub>, m. 110.5°, <sup>169</sup> 110°. <sup>275</sup>
({}^{\circ}CH_{2}CH_{2}CH_{2}SCH_{2}CH_{2}CO_{2}H)_{2}, m. 116.5^{\circ}.{}^{169}
HO<sub>2</sub>CCH<sub>2</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>CHMeSCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 35°; <sup>353a</sup> p-aniside, m.
   103°; p-phenetide, m. 158°.28d
HO<sub>2</sub>CCH<sub>2</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>CHPhSCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 86°; <sup>206d</sup> diEt ester, b<sub>3</sub> 210-
   12°.207b
HO<sub>2</sub>CCH<sub>2</sub>SCPh:CPhSCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 213°; diMe ester, m. 98°.31
m-C_6H_4(SCH_2CO_2H)_2, m. 121°. 154a
2.5-\text{Cl}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_2(\text{SCH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{H})_2-1.3, \text{ m. } 190^{\circ}.^{159}
4.6-(O_2N)_2C_6H_4(SCH_2CO_2H)_2-1.3, m. 236^\circ; (—COCl)<sub>2</sub>, m. 106^\circ
   with decomposition; diamide, m. 223°; diMe ester, m. 150°;
   diEt ester, m. 126°. 139
o,o' - (\cdot C_6H_4SCH_2CO_2H)_2, m. 202°.21
m-C_6H_4(SCH_2CH_2CO_2H)_2, m. 124°, 138 123°. 172a
p-C_6H_4(SCH_2CH_2CO_2H)_2, m. 181°.35
4-O_2NC_6H_4(SCH_2CH_2CO_2H)_2-1,3, m. 157^{\circ}.^{138}
4-H<sub>2</sub>NC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>(SCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H)<sub>2</sub>-1,3, m. 122°; HCl m. 187°. 138
4.6-Br_2C_6H_2(SCH_2CH_2CO_2H)_2-1.3, m. 184^{\circ}.^{138}
1.5-C_{10}H_6(CH_2SCH_2CO_2H)_2, m. 153^{\circ}.^{192}
m-C_6H_4(SC_6H_4CO_2H)_2, m. 303°. 386
[•CH<sub>2</sub>CH(SMe)CO<sub>2</sub>H]<sub>2</sub>, meso- m. 193°; solubility in water at
   25° 0.3 g/l.; DL- m. 124°; solubility in water 1.57 g/l. 146c, 147c
[·CH<sub>2</sub>CH (SEt) CO<sub>2</sub>H]<sub>2</sub>, meso- m. 171°; solubility in water 0.3
   g/l.; DL- m. 109.5°; solubility in water 0.32 g/l. 146c, 147c
[•CH<sub>2</sub>CH(SC<sub>3</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)CO<sub>2</sub>H]<sub>2</sub>, meso- m. 121°; solubility in water
   0.94 g/l.; DL- m. 102°; solubility in water 1.66 g/l. 146c, 147c
[•CH<sub>2</sub>CH (SCH<sub>2</sub>Ph) CO<sub>2</sub>H]<sub>2</sub>, meso- m. 169°; DL- m. 130.<sup>146c, 147c</sup>
[•CH<sub>2</sub>CH (SCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H) CO<sub>2</sub>H]<sub>2</sub>, meso- m. 177°; DL- m. 162.5°. 146c,
   147c
O(CH_2SCH_2CH_2CO_2H)_2, m. 141°.<sup>168</sup>
O(CH_2CH_2SCH_2CH_2CO_2H)_2, m. 124.5°, 169 127°. 168
O(CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H)<sub>2</sub>, m. 81°, 169 84.5°. 168
(•CH<sub>2</sub>OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H)<sub>2</sub>, m. 97°. 168, 169
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 $HC(SCH_2CO_2H)_3$, m. $171^{\circ},^{214}$ $173^{\circ}.^{211}$

Some Selenide Acids

PhSeCH₂CO₂H, m. 37° ; b₁₀ $197-8^{\circ}$. ¹²² MeC₆H₄SeCH₂CO₂H, o, m. 71°; p, m. 98°.30 $O_2NC_6H_4SeCH_2CO_2H$, o, m. 165°; m, m. 91°; p, m. 120°.30 $ClC_6H_4SeCH_2CO_2H$, o, m. 99°; p, m. 114°.30 $H_2NC_6H_4SeCH_2CO_2H$, o anhydride, m. 182°; p, m. 156°.30 $MeOC_6H_4SeCH_2CO_2H$, o, m. 87°; p, m. 70°.30 $MeSC_6H_4SeCH_2CO_2H$, p, m. 76°.30 $Se(CH_2CO_2H)_2$, m. 109° , 147b 108° ; 325 K_1 4.4×10^{-4} , K_2 0.339×10^{-4} $10^{-4}.147b$ Se(CHMeCO₂H)₂, DL- m. 148°, ^{147b} 147°; ^{146a} K_1 4.47 \times 10⁻⁴, $K_2 0.219 \times 10^{-4}$; ^{147b} D- and L- m. 124.5°, ^{147b} 124°; [a] 25/D 237.7° and -238.6°; ^{146a} meso- m. 129°; K_1 3.80 \times 10⁻⁴, K_2 0.309×10^{-4} . 1476 Se(CHEtCO₂H)₂, DL- m. 101°; K_1 4.11 \times 10⁻⁴, K_2 0.326 \times 10⁻⁴; D- m. 77°; meso- m. 85°; K_1 3.72 \times 10⁻⁴, K_2 0.328 \times 10⁻⁴. 147b $Se(CHPhCO_2H)_2$, DL- m. 155°; D- m. 145°, K_1 15.8 \times 10⁻⁴, K_2 0.906×10^{-4} , L- m. 145°; meso- m. 179°, K₁ 15.0 \times 10⁻⁴, K₂ $0.886 \times 10^{-4.147b}$ $Se(CH_2CH_2CO_2H)_2$, m. 148°; ^{147b, 325} K₁ 0.934 × 10⁻⁴, K₂ 0.156×10^{-4} . 147b $Se(CH_2CH_2CH_2CO_2H)_2$, m. 96°. 148 $HO_2CCMe_2SeCH_2CHMeCO_2H$, m. 155°; K_1 1.20 \times 10⁻⁴, K_2 $0.111 \times 10^{-4.147b}$ $MeSeC_6H_4CO_2H$, m, m. 121°; p, m. 175°, 20 174°. 158 $PhSeC_6H_4CO_2H$, p, m. $184^{\circ}.^{158}$ $p-HO_2CCH_2SC_6H_4SeCH_2CO_2H$, m. 205°.30

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Methionine

CH₃SCH₂CH₂CH(NH₂)COOH

It is remarkable that methionine, which was discovered as late as 1921, has been found to be so important. In this short time it has been the subject of hundreds of investigations. The space available here will be devoted to its chemistry; some articles of physiological interest only will be simply listed. Methionine has been ably reviewed by Toennies 722a and has been included in a number of reviews on aminoacids. 191, 222, 282c, 453b, 503b, 614a, 614b, 614c, 614d, 630b, 696, 722e, 745, 791c

Credit for the discovery of methionine goes to Mueller who isolated it from the hydrolysis products of casein.^{541a} Previously, there had been observations of sulfur-containing protein products which were not cystine. These clues might have led to methionine had they been followed.^{244, 419, 531, 549, 560}

Occurrence of Methionine

Where there is protein, there is methionine. This general statement is believed to be true though it is based on the negative evidence that no protein that has been examined for methionine has been found not to contain it. Its presence has been demonstrated in scores of proteins of all classes. A few examples are taken from the extensive table compiled by Toennies.^{722a} The figures are for percentage of methionine and for the fraction of the total sulfur accounted for by it.

Table 1.4

Methionine in Proteins

Plant proteins	Methionine	Fraction of S
Arachin (peanut)	0.54%	28%
Edestin (hemp)	2.07	45
Gliadin	2.03	44
Sativin	3.93	52
α-Globulin (tomato seed)	3.14	<i>7</i> 0
Zein	2.58	51
Animal proteins		
Ovalbumin	5.24	70
Vitellin	2.70	51
Fibrin	2.59	5 <i>7</i>
Gelatin	0.97	44
Insulin	0.7	5
Wool	0.5	3
Casein	3.31	89
Lactalbumin	2.45	36

Commercial yeasts contain from 0.48 to 0.75% of methionine on dry basis. 163.5 The plant proteins shown in Toennies' large table average about 2% of methionine, the lowest being around 0.5% and the highest somewhat above 3%. The methionine usually accounts for about half of the total sulfur, though this may be as low as one-fourth or as high as three-fourths. Cystine accounts for most of the remaining sulfur. The methionine content of animal proteins is somewhat higher, averaging about 2.6% which, as in plants, represents about half of the total sulfur. The fraction of the total sulfur represented by methionine varies more widely, from 3% in wool to 90% in casein. Later information has been given on the methionine content of vegetable proteins. 558 Calculations of minimum molecular weights of biological materials have been based on their methionine content. 139, 248, 455b

There has been such a multitude of investigations on the occurrence of methionine that it is impossible to go into any detail. References to some of these are given.^{1, 3, 20, 41, 43, 44, 51, 52b, 60, 61, 62, 63, 86, 90, 91, 100, 104b, 106, 107, 118b, 123, 126, 137, 146, 147, 166,}

189, 203b, 205, 220, 232a, 233b, 234, 241, 246, 250, 254, 255, 258, 271, 282b, 292, 293, 294, 295, 311, 346, 347d, 352, 353, 366, 374, 375, 376, 393a, 395, 403, 407, 410a, 412, 432, 446, 447, 455a, 465a, 466, 467, 470, 479, 482, 494, 506, 516, 517, 543, 544, 557, 583, 584, 607, 626, 640, 647, 653, 654, 656, 657, 660, 668, 693, 697b, 720, 726, 727, 728, 763, 769, 803, 812, 829

It has been suggested that methionine may be a precursor of natural penicillins.⁷¹

The isolation of methionine is a tedious process, based largely on the precipitation, solution, and reprecipitation of complexes of mercury salts.^{1, 48, 224, 350a, 388, 541b, 541c, 556.5, 557, 581a, 581b, 581c, 665, 735.5, 762a}

The details have been given fully by Toennies ^{722a} and need not be repeated here. An ionophoretic separation has been devised. ⁵⁹⁰

Synthesis

The first synthesis, one which confirmed the proposed structural formula, was by Barger and Coyne.⁴⁸ They started with the acetal of β -chloropropionaldehyde and methyl mercaptan:

$$\text{MeSNa} \hspace{0.1in} + \hspace{0.1in} \text{CICH}_2\text{CH}(\text{OEt})_2 \hspace{0.1in} \rightarrow \hspace{0.1in} \text{MeSCH}_2\text{CH}(\text{OEt})_2 \hspace{0.1in} + \hspace{0.1in} \text{NaCIII}_2\text{CH}(\text{OEt})_2 \hspace{0.1in} + \hspace{0.1in} \text{NaCIII}_2 \hspace{0.1in} + \hspace{0.1in} \text{NaCIII}_2$$

The acetal was hydrolyzed and the resulting aldehyde combined with hydrocyanic acid in the presence of ammonium chloride:

This was hydrolyzed to the acid, MeSCH₂CH₂CH (NH₂)COOH, which proved to be identical with the natural product, isolated from casein, except for the lack of optical activity.^{48, 510c} The yield was low.

The synthesis of the β-methylmercaptoproprional dehyde has been accomplished more directly by the addition of methyl mercaptan to acrolein: ^{150, 207.5, 272, 296, 456, 579}

The α -amino- γ -(methylmercapto) butyronitrile may be converted to 5-(β -methylmercaptoethyl)-dithiohydantoin by treatment with carbon disulfide ¹⁵⁰ or to the corresponding hydantoin.²⁷² ^{302.5}, ⁵⁷⁹, ^{825.5} Either of these can be hydrolyzed to placethionine.^{510b} Recently, a careful study has been made of each of the steps in this synthesis with the result that the over-all yield has been improved greatly.³⁵⁶

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A second synthesis started with β -methylmercaptoethyl chloride and malonic ester:

 $\mathsf{MeSCH_2CH_2CI} \ + \ \mathsf{NaCH(COOEt)}_2 \quad \rightarrow \quad \mathsf{MeSCH_2CH_2CH(COOEt)}_2 \ + \ \mathsf{NaCI}$

This was brominated and converted to the α-amino-α-(methyl-mercaptoethyl) malonic acid which was decarboxylated to inactive methionine.^{229, 808a} Cyanoacetic ester may be substituted for the malonic.^{267, 628} Or the amino-group can be introduced into the malonic,^{230, 281, 732} or cyanoacetic ester,^{13, 14, 223, 811} and the acetylamino ester caused to react with the methylmercaptoethyl chloride:

 $\mathsf{MeSCH_2CH_2CI} + \mathsf{NaC(NHAc)(COOEt)_2} \ \rightarrow \ \mathsf{MeSCH_2CH_2C(NHAc)(COOEt)_2} \ + \ \mathsf{NaCI}$

A recent synthesis starts with β-methylmercaptoethyl chloride and acetoacetic ester which give the ester, MeSCH₂CH₂CH₋(COMe)CO₂Et. This is treated with sodium and then with benzenediazonium chloride to make MeSCH₂CH₂C(:NNHPh)CO₂H which can be reduced by zinc dust to methionine.²³⁹

Another approach is by way of ethyl phthalimidomalonate, which reacts with methylmercaptoethyl chloride, in the presence of sodium ethylate:

Hydrolysis of this gives racemic methionine.^{49a, 49b, 110} Naphthalimidomalonic ester may be substituted for the phthalimidomalonic.⁴⁹² The methionine made by this method contains bimethionine, [•CH₂SCH₂CH₂CH(NH₂)CO₂H]₂, as an impurity. This has been synthesized by the use of (•CH₂SCH₂CH₂Cl)₂ instead of the MeSCH₂CH₂Cl.^{665, 666} Hydrogenolysis of bimethionine by Raney nickel gives two-thirds of the calculated ethane, the rest going on to methane.⁶⁶³

Several syntheses which differ in their latter steps, start with γ -butyrolactone. Bromination converts this to α, γ -dibromobutyric acid, which on distillation loses hydrobromic acid to give the α -bromolactone. This is treated, in succession, with ammonia and benzoyl chloride. The resulting α -benzamido- γ -butyrolactone, heated with alcohol and hydrogen chloride, gives ethyl α -benzamido- γ -chlorobutyrate which is made to react with sodium methyl mercaptide, or selenide, and then hydrolyzed to racemic methionine 350b or selenomethionine. 582

α-Aminobutyrolactone is heated with sodium methyl mercaptide to produce methionine. ^{413b} α-Acetaminobutyrolactone is converted into 3,6-bis(2-hydroxyethyl)-2,5-diketopiperazine. The two hydroxyls are replaced by chlorine and the dichloro-compound made to react with sodium methylmercaptide or made into the dimercaptan, via thiourea, and this methylated. The 3,6-bis-(methylmercaptoethyl)-2,5-diketopiperazine is hydrolyzed to methionine. ^{101, 661, 662, 663, 664} Methionine has been obtained from a substituted thiazolidene. ⁹⁴

α-Amino-γ-hydroxybutyric acid, from the lactone, is treated with potassium cyanate to form the urea, HOCH₂CH₂CH-(NHCONH₂)COOH, which is converted to the hydantoin. The hydroxyl is replaced by bromine and then by MeS and the hydantoin hydrolyzed to methionine.⁴⁵⁷, ⁴⁵⁸

Homocystine, (SCH2CH2CH(NH2)COOH)2, has been reduced by sodium in liquid ammonia and the mercaptide treated with methyl iodide to give methionine. To prepare the homocystine, benzylmercaptoethyl chloride, PhCH₂SCH₂CH₂Cl, was converted to benzyl homocysteine, PhCH₂SCH₂CH₂CH₂CH(NH₂)-COOH, by the malonic ester route. The benzyl group was removed by sodium in liquid ammonia and the mercaptan oxidised to the disulfide. 571a, 756, 764 Starting with deuterium oxide and calcium carbide, dideuteroethylene bromide was prepared and caused to react with benzyl mercaptan to form the dideuterium bromo-sulfide, PhCH₂SC₂H₂D₂Br. The final product was dideuteromethionine. 571b By using benzyl mercaptan containing radioactive sulfur, PhCH₂S*H, the corresponding methionine, MeS*CH₂CH₂CH(NH₂)CO₂H, has been prepared for use in tracer experiments. 402, 638, 712b A microsynthesis, starting with radioactive methyl mercaptan, has been described. 492.5 Tagged methionine containing radioactive sulfur has been isolated from yeast grown in a medium containing radioactive sulfur.818 Effecting the final methylation with radioactive methyl iodide gives methionine, H₃C*SCH₂CH₂CH(NH₂)COOH.⁵⁰⁹ labeled Methionine containing both labeled sulfur and labeled carbon, not in the methyl group, has been prepared.402

By similar reactions, substituting methylamine for ammonia, di-N-methylhomocystine and N-methylmethionine, MeSCH₂-CH₂CH(NHMe)CO₂H, have been prepared.⁵⁷⁰ A Walden inver-

sion may occur in the alkylation of methionine to the N-methyl derivative. 372a

Starting with benzyl-selenomercaptan, PhCH₂SeH, the selenium analog of methionine, MeSeCH₂CH₂CH(NH₂)COOH, has been made.^{411, 563b}

A recent synthesis starts with acetoacetic ester which is treated with methylmercaptoethyl chloride and then with hydrazoic acid in the presence of sulfuric acid. This is followed by hydrolysis.²¹⁴

A pilot plant for the production of racemic methionine from phthalimide, malonic ester, and methylmercaptoethyl chloride has been described in detail. The largest batch made was seventynine pounds.³¹⁸ Methods for the purification of methionine from the hydrolysis of the nitrile, MeSCH₂CH₂CH(NH₂)CN, have been patented.^{408, 442}

According to a recent patent, 672 g. of acrolein is added to 324 g. hydrocyanic acid, 576 g. methyl mercaptan, 2.4 g. potassium cyanide, and 3.6 g. water in a cooled, agitated container. When the reaction is complete 228 g. of ammonia is passed in. The excess of ammonia is evaporated in vacuum. The residue is acidified with 2400 cc. of concentrated hydrochloric acid and refluxed one hour.²⁴⁵ Impurities are removed by extraction with benzyl and other alcohols.⁴²¹

To get methionine out of a mixture, it may be converted to its more soluble sulfoxide which is extracted and reduced.^{735b}

Resolution

When racemic methionine is incubated with the p-amino-acid oxidase of Kubs the p-isomer is oxidised to α-keto-γ-methylmer-captobutyric acid, the removal of which leaves L-methionine.²¹³ When an aqueous solution of racemic methionine and sucrose, containing baker's yeast, is kept at 25° for three days the L-isomer is destroyed and 47% of the dextro can be recovered.⁴¹⁴ Racemic methionine has been resolved by the action of papain on a mixture of carbobenzoxy-pl-methionine and aniline. The anilide of the L-isomer separates in crystal form in a yield of 95%. Acid hydrolysis gives L-methionine. The p-methionine can be recovered from the filtrate.²⁰¹

When an acylated DL-methionine is exposed to the action of

certain enzymes only the acylated-L-isomer is hydrolyzed.^{547, 548, 587} When the isopropyl ester of racemic methionine is digested with pancreatin or trypsin, the L-ester is hydrolyzed and the L-methionine recovered from the aqueous solution after the p-ester is removed by ether extraction.^{127, 128}

Racemic methionine can be resolved by 4'-methyl-4-nitro-diphenyl-amine-2-sulfonic,⁷⁷⁵ α-bromo-p-camphorsulfonic,^{713, 788} or α-chloro-p-camphor-π-sulfonic acid.^{714, 715.5} Its acetyl derivative can be resolved with the aid of α-fenchylamine.⁷⁸⁸ The amide has been resolved with p-tartaric acid.^{712.5} Methionine is racemized by acetanhydride.^{712.6, 762b}

When radioactive racemic methionine is mixed with a large amount of one non-radioactive isomer, fractional crystallization isolates a single radioactive isomer.⁸¹⁷

Racemic methionine and anhydrous formic acid give racemic formylmethionine, m. 100°, which can be resolved with brucine, p-isomer m. 100° [a] 25/D 10.62°, L- m. 100°, [a] 25/D -10.00°. The latter is identical with the formyl derivative of natural methionine. There are two forms of each of the formyl derivatives of the two active forms of methionine. 669

Physical Properties

Methionine, like other amino acids, probably exists as an inner salt and as such has no sharp melting point, at which the solid and liquid phases are in equilibrium. Melting points are reported from 270° to 283°. There does not appear to be any marked difference between the racemic synthetic and the active natural methionine.^{1, 48, 49a, 541b, 557, 728, 756, 808a} For [α] D of L-methionine values are given ranging from -6.9° to -8.1° with one figure of -11.8°. Rotations of +8.0 to +8.8° are recorded for the p-isomer which has a negative rotation of -21.2° to -22.0° in 0.2 M hydrochloric acid and -7.5° in 0.6 M sodium bicarbonate.1, 541b, 557, 581a, 762a, 764, 808b The rotation of methionine, obtained by enzymatic hydrolysis, is the same as that from acid hydrolysis, which shows that racemization takes place very slowly, if at all, in acid solution. 762a Methionine obtained by alkaline hydrolysis of protein is inactive indicating that it has been racemized by the alkali.541b

The apparent dissociation constants of methionine have been determined.²²⁹ Infrared absorption ⁴⁴⁹ and dielectric absorption ⁵⁶⁸

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have been studied and curves drawn for its rotary dispersion.⁵⁶⁹ Racemic methionine has a sweet taste but is also slightly bitter.²⁷⁰

L-Methionine has been shown to have the same configuration as L-leucine and L-phenylalanine.³⁸⁷

Crystals of methionine have been described as "monoclinic plates," ⁵⁵⁷ "narrow platelets," ⁴⁸ and "hexagonal plates." ⁵⁴¹ Good crystals are difficult to obtain. They are monoclinic, hemimorphic hemihedral with axis ratios a:b:c 2.09:1:3.43, with pronounced cleavage parallel to 001. The unit cell has the dimensions 9.92, 4.73, and 16.20 Å. As the density is 1.3409 there are 4 units in the cell. ¹⁵ DL-Methionine crystallizes in two monoclinic forms. ⁵⁰¹ The crystallographic characteristics of both alpha and beta forms have been determined. ²⁰⁰

Curves showing the relations between solubility and pH, in water and in saturated sodium chloride solution, have been published.^{350a} The solubility of racemic methionine in 100 g. of water is 1.82 g. at 0°, 3.4 at 25° and 17.6 at 100°. Other values are 1.818 g. at 0°, 2.995 at 20°, 3.381 at 25°, and 17.60 at 100°. The solubilities in acetic and butyric acids are also given.⁵⁸⁸

Methionine has emulsifying properties ⁴⁶¹ and may be useful in photography. ^{677a}

Reactions of Methionine

COMBINATIONS WITH METAL SALTS

Methionine, an alkyl sulfide, combines with mercuric chloride, and with other mercury salts. This fact has been utilized in its isolation and purification. The hydrolysate of a protein, after purification and concentration, is treated with a mercuric salt. The precipitate is decomposed by hydrogen sulfide and the methionine reprecipitated by mercuric chloride.^{48, 350a, 541b, 541c, 557, 581a, 581b, 581c, 707, 725a, 762a} Analysis of the complex indicates a mercuric salt of methionine combined with four molecules of mercuric chloride or 2 HgCl₂ for each sulfide linkage.^{541b, 541c, 725a}

The copper salt of methionine, [MeSCH₂CH₂CH(NH₂)-COO]₂Cu, is only slightly soluble in water, 1 gram in 6 liters of hot water. ^{541c, 541c, 557} It is suitable for quantitative determination ⁶³⁴ and for microscopic identification. ¹⁹⁰ Methionine and cupric chloride, in concentrated hydrochloric acid, form a deep-

orange brown compound.^{417a} With cuprous chloride, there is a complex which has been used as a catalyst in the production of acetaldehyde from acetylene.⁵²⁹ Methionine forms unstable silver complexes. The amino and carboxyl groups do not appear to be involved in these.⁵⁶²

OXIDATION

Methionine is oxidised by enzymes.^{82a, 102, 814} In the presence of Aspergillus niger 16% of it goes to the sulfate ion.²⁸⁵ After the ingestion of methionine the urine contains increased amounts of methionine sulfoxide and α -aminobutyric acid.^{203a} In 16 hours, all of the sulfur is converted to sulfate ion.^{503a}

In acid solution methionine is oxidised to the sulfoxide by hydrogen peroxide.^{723, 724, 725b, 735a} Under proper conditions the oxidation is quantitative and may be the basis of an analytical method.^{417b} It goes well in perchloric acid.^{417b, 722b} The same oxidation can be effected by peracetic acid. The sulfoxide can be reduced back to methionine by sodium sulfite.⁵¹² The preparation of the sulfoxide has been described.^{612, 735c} Four stereoisomers are possible. These have been separated and their properties determined.^{439b} Treating casein with hydrogen peroxide oxidises its methionine content in situ so that its hydrolysate contains no methionine.^{5, 78, 204, 722d}

The sulfoxide inhibits glutamic acid metabolism.^{112b, 227, 253, 779} The effects on tumors ³¹² and in diet have been studied.^{151, 598, 652b}

Oxidation by iodine gives a cyclic compound, 1-methyl-2,1-tetrahydroazothionium-3-carboxylate.440

The sulfone, MeSO₂CH₂CH₂CH (NH₂) COOH, is obtained in 90% yield by the molybdate-catalyzed oxidation with hydrogen peroxide.^{725c} This oxidation can be effected electrolytically.^{514, 706, 734} The sulfone has none of the growth effects of methionine.^{73b, 77c}

Sulfonium

Methionine combines with methyl iodide, methyl bromide, and allyl bromide to form sulfonium compounds.^{40, 722c, 725d} When acetylmethionineallylsulfonium bromide is decomposed by alkali, methyl allyl sulfide is one of the products.^{725d} The MeS— of methionine is thus exchanged for the bromine of allyl bromide. It is suggested that the formation and decomposition of sulfonium salts may be involved in transmethylation.^{722c} Double sulfonium

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compounds are formed with mustard gas,^{406, 678, 680a} sesquimustard, (•CH₂SCH₂CH₂Cl)₂, and with nitrogen mustard.²⁶⁴ When the one from mustard gas is heated di-(methylmercapto) ethyl sulfide, S(CH₂CH₂SMe)₂, is given off.^{680a} A methyl sulfonium derivative of methionine has been isolated from cabbage juice.^{489.5}

DEAMINATION

Methionine, in the presence of air, is oxidatively deaminated by an enzyme found in kidneys and livers, 112a, 143, 247, 424, 777 by one from snake venom, 828 and also by *Proteus vulgaris*: 83

 $\mathsf{MeSCH_2CH_2CH(NH_2)COOH} \ + \ \ 1/2 \ \ \mathsf{O}_2 \quad \rightarrow \quad \ \\ \mathsf{MeSCH_2CH_2COCOOH} \ + \ \ \mathsf{NH_3}$

The corresponding hydroxyacid is produced by certain bacteria. The L-form is obtained by treatment of the amino-acid with nitrous acid. Sodium chlorite is effective in the presence of a ketoglutarate. Chloramine-T gives 85% deamination. Lating methionine with potassium bromide, sodium nitrite, and sulfuric acid gives γ-methylmercapto-α-bromobutyric acid which racemizes rapidly. This with ammonia reverts to methionine. Methylamine converts it to N-methylmethionine.

The rate constant for the deamination of methionine and other α -amino acids by nitrous acid is directly proportional to the dissociation constant of the acid and inversely proportional to the molecular weight. The rate is practically doubled by the addition of one equivalent of potassium iodide.¹⁸⁵

OTHER REACTIONS

Methionine forms a picrolonate.^{212, 808a} Its choline salt is said to be valuable in the treatment of diseases of the liver.^{413a, 413c} The solubility of its salt with 5-nitrobarbaturic acid has been determined.⁵⁹⁶ Compounds with penicillin derivatives have been prepared.^{351.5}

The chloroacetyl derivative of methionine and ammonia give glycyl-L-methionine, m. 140-5°. 347a A peptide may be prepared by treating the phenyl ester of methionine with a tertiary base and an aminoacid. 800.5 A number of such peptides have been made. 129, 178, 202, 702

The amino group can be methylated. It reacts normally with acid chlorides such as p-nitrobenzoyl chloride 404, 824 and allyl chloroformate, $CH_2: CH \cdot CH_2 \cup COCl.^{692}$ The N-nicotinyl

derivative of the ester is formed from nicotinyl azide. The sulfide, MeSCH₂CH₂CH(NHCH₂CH₂SCH₂Ph)CO₂H, has been prepared with the aid of β -chloroethyl benzyl sulfide, PhCH₂-SCH₂CH₂Cl. 766

Methionine may add to one or to two molecules of acrylonitrile to change the amino group into —NHCH₂CH₂CN or into —N(CH₂CH₂CN)₂.⁴⁸⁸

Methionine suspended in absolute alcohol, treated with hydrogen chloride until it dissolves, gives the ethyl ester. 110, 355, 509.5 Crude methionine can be purified by conversion to the ester which may be fractionated. The hydrochloride of the ester, m. 56°, is soluble in water. The isopropyl ester has been described. The thiobenzoyl derivative, PhCSNHCH (CH₂CH₂SMe) CO₂Et, has been prepared. Phenylmagnesium bromide reacts with the ester to give the tertiary alcohol, 1,1-diphenyl-4-methylmer-capto-2-aminobutanol-1.387

Methionine is desulfurized by active Raney nickel to L-α-amino-butyric acid. This is further evidence of the configuration of natural methionine.^{249, 539, 774} Electrolytic reduction eliminates the sulfur as hydrogen sulfide and methyl mercaptan.^{514, 706} Methionine is decomposed by *Clostridium tetanomorphum*.⁸²⁰ Sodium in liquid ammonia converts it to homocysteine, HSCH₂-CH₂CH(NH₂)CO₂H.^{688c} Heating it with 60% sulfuric acid, to 130° for 8 hours, accomplishes the same result.¹⁴²

Methionine heated in liquid paraffin to 250° is decarboxylated to 3-methylmercaptopropylamine, MeSCH₂CH₂CH₂NH₂.^{739b} In the presence of alkali, methionine and methylisothiourea, MeSC-(:NH)NH₂, give guanidomethionine.^{370, 538} Methionine, autoclaved with formaldehyde at 110°, forms a compound that has a blue-violet fluorescence.⁴⁶² 2-Hydroxy-α-naphthoic aldehyde and methionine condense to a Schiff's base.⁴⁸⁵ Methionine takes up one-third of its weight of nitrogen trichloride. The product causes paralysis in a dog's legs.⁷⁹ Treating methionine sulfoxide with hydrazoic acid gives a factor similar to that formed from protein with nitrogen trichloride.^{80, 526}

Detection and Estimation

Methionine can be detected by fusion with sodium hydroxide containing some water. The melt is acidified and the methyl mercaptan passed into lead acetate solution or into a solution of

0.2 g. isatin in 100 cc. concentrated sulfuric acid. The vellow solution turns grass green. This test is sensitive to 0.2 mg. methionine.^{739a} Colors are developed when ammonium thiocyanate is heated with amino-acids, red for methionine and several others.³⁶⁹ Dry methionine gives a vellow color with a solution of anhydrous copper sulfate in concentrated sulfuric acid.667 A strip of photographic film bathed in 0.1% methionine solution, dried in warm air from an electric fan and developed. shows black spots due to copper particles from the fan brushes. 677b Amino-acids are identified by the derivatives obtained by treatment with p-toluene sulfonyl chloride. 477 Methionine and the chloride of azobenzenecarboxylic acid, PhN:NC6H4COCl, give a compound, m. 119°, [α] 12/608 -27.32°.390 Optical and crystallographic properties are given for the diluturic 437 and 2-nitro-1,3-indandione 438 derivatives of methionine. p-Iodotoluenesulfonyl chloride containing I 131 has been used for making methionine derivatives of which minute amounts can be traced.744

For the micro identification of methionine its solution is mixed with a solution of copper acetate or of platinic chloride and sodium iodide.²¹ It may be determined by oxidising it completely and precipitating the sulfuric acid with benzidine. The precipitate is titrated with alkali.²⁶²

Methionine sulfoxide gives the ninhydrin reaction.586

The analysis of the complex mixture of amino-acids present in protein hydrolysates is not a simple matter. The methods have been discussed.²²¹ A countercurrent extraction plan using chloroform and water, has been devised for the separation of such mixtures.⁴⁹⁷ Recently chromatographic methods have been devised.^{182, 197, 304b, 315, 427, 535, 567, 585, 611, 633, 655, 680b, 718, 721, 725e, 738, 809, 827 Differences in the mobilities of the ions may be utilized by ionophoresis in a slab of silica jelly.^{176a} Advantage may be taken of the differences in acid strengths of the amino-acids for separations by ion exchange resins.}

The most distinctive thing about methionine is the presence of the MeS— group. The Baernstein method is the sulfur version of the Zeisel methoxyl determination. Methyl iodide is evolved when methionine is boiled with concentrated hydriodic acid and the liberated methyl iodide is caught in silver nitrate solution:

 $\mathsf{MeSCH_2CH_2CH(NH_2)COOH} \ + \ \mathsf{HI} \quad \rightarrow \quad \mathsf{MeI} \ + \ \mathsf{HSCH_2CH_2CH(NH_2)COOH}$

The γ-mercapto-α-aminobutyric acid condenses to the thiolactone.⁴³ This method has been widely used and modified from time to time.^{34, 63, 125, 282a, 392, 393b, 445a, 465b, 708, 765, 770} Some methyl mercaptan and hydrogen sulfide may be formed also.³⁹² The thiolactone may be determined as a check.⁶³

The method of McCarthy and Sullivan depends on the color which develops when methionine is treated with sodium nitroprusside. The yellow color turns to red on acidification. The estimation is colorimetric and must be done promptly as the color soon fades. 104a, 164, 188, 360a, 476, 495, 620, 799

The sulfur in methionine can be determined by the Benedict-Denis method,⁷⁶ the chief feature of which is fusion with cupric nitrate.^{564, 622, 778} Methionine is oxidised selectively and quantitatively by hydrogen peroxide in perchloric acid solution. This is a basis of a volumetric method.^{6, 417b} On the other hand cystine and cysteine are oxidised to sulfate ion by nitric acid while methionine is not. If the total sulfur is known the methionine is found by difference.^{232a} Another plan is to estimate the cystine by reduction and treatment with cuprous oxide, subtracting this from the total sulfur.^{63, 430} Methionine may be burned in the Parr bomb.^{144, 564}

Methionine forms a periodide, while other sulfur compounds do not. This is the basis of an iodometric determination.^{45, 439a, 584}

The bioassay of methionine can be accomplished by the use of various organisms. The methods have been reviewed.^{52a} A number of references are given without comment.^{53, 57, 115, 210, 211, 287b, 291, 354, 360b, 471, 472, 602b, 647, 657, 698}

Methionine an Essential

From a mass of experimentation the conclusion has been reached that methionine is essential to the growth and well being of animals. The same holds for bacteria. Methionine is now listed as one of the ten essential amino acids. A few references are given.^{8, 9, 12, 18b, 39, 75, 103, 109, 131, 140, 207, 211, 232b, 257, 357, 363, 399, 400, 409, 420, 428 433, 434, 435, 444, 480, 489, 551, 614b, 614c, 615, 616, 617, 675, 740, 780, 783, 792, 800, 815, 816}

To a certain extent a mixture of choline and homocystine may function as methionine.^{158, 752b, 753} The deamination product of methionine, α-keto-γ-methylmercaptobutyric acid, MeSCH₂CH₂-COCOOH, may replace methionine under certain conditions.¹⁴³ The same is true of the corresponding α-hydroxy-acid.¹⁰⁵

Efficiency of Racemic and of Dextro

As is well known, in many biological processes either the one or the other of the two optically active isomers is utilized while the other is not. Since the synthesis of racemic methionine and its resolution the question of the efficacy of the dextro isomer has been extensively investigated. The D-isomer is more efficient in methylating ethanolamine or dimethylethanolamine, Me₂NCH₂-CH₂OH, than the L-form.^{676b} From feeding experiments the general conclusion is that the unnatural isomer is utilized by organisms but not quite so well as the natural. Hence the racemic is much better than half its weight of the natural but not quite so good as twice that amount. A number of references are given without any attempt at analysis.^{7, 29, 55b, 77a, 85, 87, 193, 199, 206, 217, 276b, 287a, 316, 321, 322, 373a, 373b, 378, 451, 452, 459, 515, 518, 524, 541d, 618, 627, 671, 682a, 697a, 716, 757, 802}

Origin and Fate of Methionine

How does methionine come to be and what happens to it when it ceases to be methionine? In spite of much painstaking investigation only partial answers can be given to these questions. Methionine is only one of the amino-acids from which proteins are built. Its chemistry is so intertwined with that of all the others that we will probably not understand it fully until we know the whole story of proteins.

To state that methionine is one of the amino-acids which are essential to the growth and well-being of animals is another way of saying that animals can not manufacture it, or enough of it, to meet their requirements. The methionine content of vegetable proteins is strikingly like that of the animal yet plants of the most diverse sorts must be able to synthesize it from simple materials. The only sulfur available to plants is that of sulfates such as gypsum.

Various theories of the biosynthesis of methionine have been advanced.^{209, 263, 552c, 603}

A deal of careful experimenting has been done on the trans formations of methionine into other compounds. By feeding experiments, a number of facts have been established and various plausible hypotheses built up. The subject has been reviewed by several.^{335, 453a, 532, 755} A few experimental papers are listed.

Too much space would be required to go into the findings.^{4, 23, 24, 54, 83, 93, 117, 118a, 120, 216b, 269, 329, 394, 426, 445b, 503a, 581b, 618, 682a, 685, 719b, 742, 771, 773, 777}

A number of experiments have been made with methionine labeled with radioactive sulfur, administered in different ways. The distribution of the radioactive sulfur in the various organs was traced readily, but to determine the compounds into which it went was not so easy.^{259, 260, 261, 425, 473, 507, 637, 709, 710, 711, 712a, 712b, 790} Radioactive cystine was found in two cases ^{507, 712a, 712b} and taurine in one.^{712a, 712b}

In one experiment L-methionine, the methyl group of which contained radioactive carbon, was fed to a rat. In 52 hours 32.4% of the radioactive carbon appeared as respiratory carbon dioxide and 14.6% was found in the urine. In another, the methyl group contained deuterium and radioactive carbon. This was fed to a rat on choline-free diet. Choline was isolated and found to contain deuterium and radioactive carbon in the original ratio showing the methyl group had been transferred as a whole. Analysis of the cystine from rats fed on methionine containing isotopes of sulfur and carbon showed that 80% of its sulfur but no significant amount of its carbon had been derived from the tagged methionine. The rate of the rate of

A tagged methyl group from methionine was used in converting guanidoacetic acid to creatine.^{751, 754}

Transmethylation

There is abundant evidence that, in the processes involved in growth in animals, methyl groups are transferred. They appear to be taken from one compound to build up another. Methionine, choline, betaine, creatine, homocysteine, guanidoacetic acid, and probably others take part in this game of passing around methyl groups. Just how the transfer is effected is difficult to understand. In methionine the methyl group is joined to sulfur. Experience with sulfides and mercaptans shows that this is a strong bond. In the oxidation of methionine the methyl remains attached to the sulfur. Boiling with concentrated hydriodic acid does break off the methyl group as methyl iodide but that is drastic treatment. It is well known that many reactions, which, in the laboratory, can be made to take place only by the aid of high temperatures, high pressures, strong acids or alkalies, or powerful

catalysts, go on in vivo under the mildest conditions. This subject has been reviewed. 17a, 42, 155, 298b, 746a, 752a

There have been many feeding experiments in which transmethylation appears to have been demonstrated.^{50, 66, 113, 226, 289, 364, 504, 576, 676a, 676b, 741} Methionine sulfoxide also serves as a methyl group donor.^{676a, 676b, 741} This has been supposed to be due to the fact that the sulfoxide can be reduced to methionine,³¹⁶ but might possibly be due to the decomposition of the sulfoxide into formaldehyde and homocysteine. The sulfone, which can not be reduced, is biologically inactive.³¹⁶

When certain bacteria are grown in a medium containing methionine and glucose, methyl mercaptan and methyl sulfide are produced. Methionine gives methyl sulfide but no mercaptan in bread cultures of S. brevicaulis. The most definite experiments are those in which methionine containing a deuteromethyl group has been fed to animals, and deuterocholine, deuterocreatine, and deutero-creatinine found later. The deuteromethyl group passed to choline from methionine. The deuteromethyl group passed to choline from methionine.

Methionine in Nutrition

The literature on methionine in nutrition, particularly as relates to growth, is so extensive that it is impossible to go into any detail as to the findings. It may be mentioned that it influences the metabolism of nitrogen, 16, 82b, 138, 161, 450, 460, 521, 606 that it is absorbed rapidly by the intestine,26, 133, 162, 196, 240, 373b, 822, 823 and that an excess of methionine may retard growth. 132, 806 Other references are given without any attempt at classification. 10, 11, 17a, 17b, 18a, 18b, 19, 20, 22, 31, 55a, 64, 77a, 77b, 81, 84, 88, 89, 97, 98, 99, 108, 111, 136, 138, 154, 163, 165, 166, 167, 174, 183, 186, 194, 195, 199, 233a, 233b, 242, 243, 269, 275, 276a, 278, 284, 287a, 287b, 297, 298a, 299a, 301a, 302, 308, 309, 310, 313, 314, 328, 331, 332, 334, 337, 345b, 348, 373b, 377, 378, 383, 384, 385, 386, 397, 398, 401, 409, 410b, 415, 418, 422, 423, 441, 443, 448, 463, 464, 469, 478, 481, 482, 483, 484, 489, 490, 493, 496, 499, 502, 508, 515, 518, 519, 520, 525, 527, 528, 540, 542, 544, 545, 550, 554, 556, 559, 561, 566, 572, 573, 574, 578, 594, 595, 601, 604, 605, 606, 609, 610, 614c, 614d, 614e, 615, 619, 621, 624, 627, 629, 641, 642, 648, 658, 670, 672. 686a, 689, 693, 695, 703, 704, 716, 717, 719a, 729, 736b, 743, 752b, 753, 759, 772, 781, 782, 787, 791a, 791b, 793, 821

Methionine as a Protective Agent

Methionine protects the liver against injury under various circumstances.^{228, 277, 283, 351, 474} It is beneficial in burns,^{186, 187, 333, 475} and in other physiological disturbances.^{124, 301a, 301b, 491, 673, 683a} It has some antibacterial action ^{69, 290} and is synergistic with penicillin ⁶³⁶ but favors the fermentation of glucose by propionic acid bacteria.¹⁵³ According to one investigator injection or ingestion of methionine delays coagulation of the blood ⁶⁸⁸ but another finds that it has no such effect.⁸⁰⁷ Deficiency of methionine did not affect the healing of wounds.⁷⁰⁵ The racemic acid did not influence the growth of tumor cells.⁴⁶⁸ It reversed the antibacterial action of methoxinine.⁶⁰⁸

Methionine counteracts the effects of serine, 776 methylcholanthrene, 798 β -alanine, and pantothenic acid 555 and inhibits the combination of iodine with casein. 145

Methionine is antagonistic to the sulfa drugs,^{323, 599, 645, 700, 810} sulfanilamide,^{416, 645, 700, 810} sulfathiazole,⁸¹⁰ sulfadiazine,^{38, 733} to p-dimethylaminobenzene,⁷⁹⁶ nicotinamide,^{317, 591} and thyroxime.^{2b} It counteracts the damage done by chloroform,^{280, 522, 523} carbon tetrachloride,^{37, 67, 73a, 74, 208, 219, 268, 307, 639} ethylene chloride,^{338, 340, 341, 343} propylene chloride,^{338, 339} benzyl chloride,^{683b} bromobenzene,^{683b, 794} p-bromobenzyl bromide,^{683b} iodoacetic acid, ^{694, 791b, 795} naphthalene, phenanthrene,^{683b} trinitrotoluene,^{219, 659} biphenyl, chrysene,⁷⁸⁵ dimethylaminoazobenzene,^{305, 797} phenylmercury borate,⁵⁶⁵ certain gold,⁴⁹⁸ nickel, and cobalt ³⁰⁰ compounds, selenic acid,²³⁸ quinoline,^{181b} piperidine,^{181b} pyridine,^{58, 59, 181b} coumarin,⁵⁹² norleucine,³¹⁹ and β-furyl-pL-alanine.¹⁶⁸

It appears that in the detoxification of some, at least, of these agents, aminoacid sulfur is used up.^{683b} The result may be a depletion of methionine and cystine to such an extent that normal metabolism can not go on. The administration of methionine may remedy this condition.²³¹

Methionine has a preservative action on liquid eggs before drying.³³⁰ It has a synergistic effect with phenolic antioxidants.¹⁷¹

Methionine and the Liver

There have been many studies on methionine and the liver, particularly as relates to the deposition of fats in that organ.

Some references are given without going into details as to their findings. 2a, 35, 36, 46, 47, 65, 68, 70, 85, 92, 152, 159, 160, 169, 181a, 203c, 218, 219, 235, 236, 256, 288, 298a, 299b, 304a, 306, 327, 342, 345a, 349, 358, 362, 365, 405, 436, 500, 505, 537, 575, 602a, 613, 652a, 690, 691, 730, 731, 736a, 737, 789, 805, 825

Cystinuria

There have been special studies of the metabolism of methionine in cystinuria.^{25, 27, 116, 118b, 119, 121, 122, 172, 347b, 454} When radioactive methionine was injected into normal or cystinuric dogs 97% of it was retained.^{712c}

Methionine Type Compounds

Homologs

Two homologs have been prepared:

 $\begin{array}{l} {\sf HOOCCH(NH_2)CH_2CH_2CH_2SMe} \\ {\sf HOOCCH(NH_2)CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2SMe} \end{array}$

The sodium derivative of phthalimidomalonic ester was caused to react with an excess of trimethylene, or tetramethylene, bro-mide and the resulting bromide converted to the mercaptan which was methylated. The first melts at 272–4° and the second at 276–8° with decomposition. 216a, 379, 758

ETHIONINE

EtSCH₂CH₂CH (NH₂)COOH

Ethionine, which is not found in natural products, has been synthesized by methods analogous to those that have been used for methionine.^{150, 215, 431b, 582, 784} It melts, or rather decomposes, at 265–84°.^{215, 431b} It can not replace methionine in feeding,^{112b, 215, 320, 686b, 779} though it does prevent the accumulation of liver fat.³²⁰ Ethionine, the ethyl group of which was tagged, was fed to a rat. The radioactivity was found in the creatin and choline

of the tissues.⁶⁸⁷ The corresponding S-butyl compound has been prepared.^{81.5}

BENZYL HOMOCYSTEINE

This has been mentioned as an intermediate in one synthesis of methionine which started with benzylmercaptoethyl chloride. The can be prepared in the usual way from homocysteine and benzyl chloride. It can be debenzylated by sodium in liquid ammonia. The optically active isomers of its acetyl derivatives have been separated enzymatically. It is converted in vivo by rats to the acetyl derivative. Labeled S it has been used in feeding experiments.

CARBOXYALKYL DERIVATIVES

The two acids, HO₂CCH₂SCH₂CH₂CH(NH₂)COOH, and HO₂CCH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH(NH₂)COOH, are made by adding the corresponding halide acids to methionine which has been demethylated by sodium in liquid ammonia.^{683c}

ALKYL CYSTEINYL DERIVATIVES

RSCH₂CH (NH₂) COOH

These have been made in considerable number and variety. Cysteine, its esters, and its acylamino derivatives react regularly with simple, or complex, alkyl halides in alkaline solution:

 ${\rm RX} \ + \ {\rm NaSCH_2CH(NH_2)COOH} \ \rightarrow \ {\rm RSCH_2CH(NH_2)COOH} \ + \ {\rm NaX}$

The methyl, ^{372b, 761} ethyl, ^{130, 170, 179, 180, 699} propyl, ⁶⁹⁹ *i*-propyl, ^{274, 699} butyl, ^{372b, 699} allyl, ⁶⁹⁹ and benzyl ^{170, 336, 372b, 682c, 699, 747} derivatives been prepared in this way. From more complex halides corresponding derivatives have been prepared, such as PhSCH₂-CH₂SCH₂CH (NH₂)CO₂H, ²⁵¹ HOCH₂CH₂SCH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH-(NH₂)COOH, ²⁸⁶ S[CH₂CH₂SCH₂CH (NH₂)COOH]₂, ^{674, 681} and HOCH₂CH₂SCH₂CH (NH₂)COOH. ²⁷⁹ The ethylene and trimethylene derivatives have been reported. ^{642,5} The benzyl derivative of DL-cysteine has been made from sodium benzyl mercaptide and diethyl α-acetamido-α-dimethylaminomethylmalonate methiodide. ^{40,5} The methyl and benzyl derivatives have been obtained by the hydrolysis of the corresponding hydantoins. ⁵⁴⁶ The benzyl derivative is formed when silk, or

dried milk, is heated with alkali and treated with benzyl mercaptan.⁵⁵⁸

Compounds of this class have been obtained by starting with the addition products of mercaptans to certain unsaturates.¹⁴⁹. ¹⁷⁷, ¹⁸⁰, ²²⁵, ³⁰³, ⁷⁰¹, ⁷¹⁵ The sulfoxides, PhSOCH₂CH₂SCH₂CH-(NH₂)COOH and OS[CH₂CH₂SCH₂CH(NH₂)COOH]₂, have been made by adding cysteine to phenyl vinyl sulfoxide, PhSOCH:CH₂, and to divinyl sulfoxide, OS(CH:CH₂)₂, respectively.²⁵¹, ²⁵², ⁵⁷⁷

The addition of thiophenol to α-aminoacrylic acid, under the catalytic influence of piperidine, gives the acid, PhSCH₂CH-(NH₂)COOH,⁷² which is also formed from diphenyliodonium chloride and cysteine.⁶²⁵ The N-acetyl derivative of this acid has been obtained from benzenediazonium chloride and N-acetyl-cysteine.^{56, 826} A small amount of this is secreted by a rat to which benzene has been fed.⁸²⁶ The corresponding naphthalene acid, α-C₁₀H₇SCH₂CH (NHAc)COOH, has been made similarly.³⁶⁷ It is secreted after the ingestion of naphthalene.¹¹⁴ S-p-Chlorophenylcysteine, p-ClC₆H₄SCH₂CH (NH₂)COOH,⁷⁸⁶ and the corresponding fluorine acid, p-FC₆H₄SCH₂CH (NH₂)-COOH,⁸²⁶ have been made through the diazo reaction.

The ester, p-MeC₆H₄SCHPhCH (NHCOPh) CONHCH₂COOEt, has been made by the addition of p-thiocresol to PhCH:C (NHCOPh) CONHCH₂COOEt.^{552b} The reaction of p-thiocresol with 2-phenyl-4-benzal-5-oxazolone gives p-MeC₆H₄SCHPhCH-(NHCOPh) COOEt.^{552a} Other compounds containing substituents in the β-position have been taken up under penicillamine, chapter 5, Volume I. Thioglycolic acid and the azlactone of α-benzamidocrotonic acid give ethyl α-benzamido-β-(carbethoxy-methylmercapto) butyrate.^{134, 622.5} Thioglycolic acid and ethyl 2-benzamido-7-carbethoxy-2-heptenoate give ethyl α-benzamido-β-(carbethoxymethylmercapto) suberate.^{83.5, 622.5} This is a step in one biotin synthesis, see chapter 1. Dibasic acids are obtained readily by the reaction of a halogen acid with cysteine in alkaline solution:^{825, 389, 593}

 $\mathsf{HOOCCH_2CI} + \mathsf{NaSCH_2CH(NH_2)COOH} \ \rightarrow \ \mathsf{HOOCCH_2SCH_2CH(NH_2)COOH} + \mathsf{NaCI}$

Naturally the same product is obtained when the positions of the halogen and mercaptan group are reversed: 324b, 326

 A number of acids and their esters of this type have been made ¹⁴¹, ^{324a}, ^{324b}, ³⁹¹, ^{510a}, ⁵³³, ⁵³⁴, ⁵⁸⁰, ⁸¹³ in connection with the synthesis of biotin. A tribasic aminosulfide acid is produced by the addition of cysteine to maleic acid in the presence of piperidine. ⁵³⁶

The same end may be attained by starting with a sulfide and introducing the amino and carboxyl groups. Thus benzylmer-captoacetaldehyde, PhCH₂SCH₂CHO, is converted to the cyanhydrin, PhCH₂SCH₂CH (OH) CN, which is treated with ammonia and then hydrolyzed to PhCH₂SCH₂CH (NH₂) COOH.²⁷³

Djenkolic acid, H₂C[SCH₂CH(NH₂)COOH]₂, which might be called methylene dicysteine, is a thioformal and is taken up in chapter 5, Volume I.

The cysteine hemimercaptals, HOCH₂SCH₂CH(NH₂)COOH, PrCH(OH)SCH₂CH(NH₂)COOH, hemimercaptole, MeC(OH)-(COOH)SCH₂CH(NH₂)COOH,⁶³⁵ and mercaptals with acetal-dehyde, propionaldehyde, and benzaldehyde ³³ are S-alkyl derivatives.

The amino group of an S-alkylcysteine can be benzoylated ^{324a, 533, 534, 699} or acetylated ^{699, 813} by standard methods. The S-benzyl is racemized by an excess of acetanhydride. This gives a route to p-cysteine. ⁸¹⁹ The S-benzyl ^{682b} and other ⁷⁶⁷ cysteine derivatives are acetylated *in vivo* when fed to animals.

S-Benzylcysteine is reduced readily by sodium in liquid ammonia: 646

 $\textbf{2} \ \mathsf{PhCH}_2 \mathsf{SCH}_2 \mathsf{CH} (\mathsf{NH}_2) \mathsf{CO}_2 \mathsf{H} \ + \ \mathbf{2} \ \mathsf{H} \quad \rightarrow \quad (\mathsf{PhCH}_2)_2 \ + \ \mathbf{2} \ \mathsf{HSCH}_2 \mathsf{CH} (\mathsf{NH}_2) \mathsf{CO}_2 \mathsf{H}$

This has been used frequently in syntheses.

The sulfide bond in compounds of this class may be split by silver salts under mild conditions.⁵⁷⁷

An alkylcysteine reacts with pyruvic acid to form a Schiff's base: 344

 $\mathsf{RSCH}_2\mathsf{CH}(\mathsf{CO}_2\mathsf{H})\mathsf{NH}_2 \ + \ \mathsf{OC}(\mathsf{CO}_2\mathsf{H})\mathsf{Me} \ \rightarrow \ \mathsf{RSCH}_2\mathsf{CH}(\mathsf{CO}_2\mathsf{H})\mathsf{N:C}(\mathsf{CO}_2\mathsf{H})\mathsf{Me} \ + \ \mathsf{H}_2\mathsf{O}$

The melting points and rotations of a number of S-alkylcysteines have been given.³² As all of them are inner salts the "melting points" are high, from 222–256°, and are to be considered as decomposition temperatures. They can be relied upon for characterization only when the heating is done under care-

fully controlled conditions. A direct comparison of the unknown with an authentic sample of the known is desirable.

The S-methyl,⁸⁰ S-ethyl, S-propyl, S-i-propyl, S-butyl, and S-benzyl derivatives of cysteine are oxidised by hydrogen peroxide to their sulfoxides. Alliin, which is said to be the "mother substance" of garlic oil, is S-allylcysteine sulfoxide, CH₂:CHCH₂-SOCH₂CH(NH₂)CO₂H.⁶⁹⁹ S-Methylcysteine is oxidised when fed to a dog but the ethyl and benzyl are not.^{581b} The S-ethyl derivative is oxidised slowly on slices of rat liver.^{581d}

The infrared spectra of a number of aromatic mercapturic acids, ArSCH₂CH (CO₂H) NHCOMe have been recorded.^{266, 382}

Two selenium compounds have been prepared, PhSeCH₂CH-(NH₂)COOH ⁴⁸⁶, ^{563a} and PhCH₂SeCH₂CH (NH₂)COOH. ^{563a}, ⁸⁰⁴

LANTHIONINE

This recently discovered sulfide-amino-acid is closely related to cystine, the well-known disulfide acid.



Lanthionine was first isolated by the acid hydrolysis of wool, which had been boiled one hour with 2% sodium carbonate solution. Heating wool with a mildly alkaline buffer is sufficient. It has been obtained from horses' hoofs, keratin, and other proteins, also from insulin. An alkali cyanide is suitable for the hydrolysis since it is alkaline and takes up sulfur. Lanthionine accounts for 10% of the sulfur in subtilin hydrolyzates.

Lanthionine has been synthesized from cysteine and β -chloro- α -aminopropionic ester: 135b, 748

 $\mathsf{HOOCCH}(\mathsf{NH}_2)\mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{SH} + \mathsf{CICH}_2\mathsf{CH}(\mathsf{NH}_2)\mathsf{COOH} \rightarrow \mathsf{S}(\mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{CH}(\mathsf{NH}_2)\mathsf{COOH})_2 + \mathsf{HCI}$

For simplicity the free acids are written instead of the salts and ester. Closely related to this is the preparation of the dimethyl ester of dibenzoyllanthionine from methyl α -benzamido- β -chloropropionate and sodium sulfide. Another synthesis is from the

sodium derivative of phthalimidomalonic ester and α,α' -dichloromethyl sulfide:

Hydrolysis of this gave the lanthionine. In a recent synthesis diethyl α-acetamido-α-dimethylaminomethylmalonate methiodide is heated with sodium sulfide:

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$$Me_3(I)NCH_2(AcNH)C(CO_2Et)_2$$
 + Na_2S \rightarrow $S[CH_2(AcNH)C(CO_2Et)_2]_2$ + 2 NaI + 2 Me_3N

The product is saponified, deacetylated, and decarboxylated.

There are four forms of lanthionine, meso, racemic, and the two optically active. The racemic is 7 times as soluble in water as the meso.³⁶¹ The racemic and the active forms decompose at the same temperature, 293–5°. The dibenzoyl derivatives of the active melt at 202–4° and have rotations +8° and -8°. This derivative of the meso melts at 184°. The racemic form has been found in the mother liquor from the meso prepared from egg shells.³⁶⁸

The isolation of lanthionine is chiefly a matter of separating it from cystine. Advantage is taken of the fact that the sodium salt of the N,N'-dibenzoyl derivative of cystine, (SCH₂CH-(NHCOPh)COOH)₂, is practically insoluble in water.^{623, 630a}

There is little, if any lanthionine present in proteins. That which is gotten out appears to have been derived from cystine. It is well known that treatment of wool, hair, and the like, with alkali takes out a considerable amount of sulfur. The transformation of cystine to lanthionine is largely responsible for this. In one instance cow's hair treated with alkali and then hydrolyzed yielded 2% of lanthionine but none if hydrolyzed directly. 123

The change of cystine to lanthionine by the loss of an atom of sulfur is easy to write:

$$S_2[CH_2CH(NH_2)COOH] \rightarrow S[CH_2CH(NH_2)COOH]_2 + S$$

To explain how this takes place is a different matter. It is the cystine of the intact protein chain that loses the sulfur, since the structure of wool fiber is not greatly changed by this loss. 630c Several mechanisms have been suggested. In one cystine is sup-

posed to be converted to cysteine a part of which loses hydrogen sulfide to form α -aminoacrylic acid:

The other part of the cysteine adds to this: 553, 630c

 $\mathsf{HOOCC}(\mathsf{NH}_2) : \mathsf{CH}_2 \quad + \quad \mathsf{HSCH}_2 \mathsf{CH}(\mathsf{NH}_2) \mathsf{COOH} \quad \rightarrow \quad \quad \mathsf{S}[\mathsf{CH}_2 \mathsf{CH}(\mathsf{NH}_2) \mathsf{COOH}]_2$

In another, cystine is supposed to break into α-aminoacrylic acid and HSSCH₂CH (NH₂) COOH, which passes into cysteine by loss of sulfur. Addition then takes place.⁵³⁰ In support of this it has been shown that the addition of cysteine to acrylic acid can be effected readily in neutral or slightly alkaline solution. The product, HOOCCH (NH₂)CH₂SCH₂CH₂COOH, lacks one amino group of being lanthionine.^{632a} The fact that such a large proportion of the cystine present is accounted for by the lanthionine produced makes the explanation more difficult. It has been stated that half of the cystine of wool goes into lanthionine, by alkali treatment, and the other half into combined α-aminoacrylic acid.^{148, 192} Treatment with formic acid at 70–100° aids the conversion.⁵¹³

Lanthionine can be identified in hydrolyzates by paper chromatography.^{176b} It gives a red color when heated with potassium thiocyanate.³⁶⁹ It can be determined, with an accuracy of 97–8%, by conversion to cysteine by hydriodic acid.^{347c}

Lanthionine supported a fair growth of *Proteus Morganii* ⁵¹¹ but failed with rats. ^{380, 381}

A monomethyl-lanthionine, HO₂CCH (NH₂) CHMeSCH₂CH-(NH₂) CO₂H, has been isolated from the hydrolyzate of the anti-biotic peptide, subtilin.^{15.5} A dimethyl-lanthionine, HO₂-CCH (NH₂) CMe₂SCH₂CH (NHCOR) CO₂H, has been made by adding β,β-dimethylcysteine to an α-acylaminoacrylic acid.^{386.5}

Cystathionine

HOOCCH(NH₂)CH₂SCH₂CH₂CH(NH₂)COOH

This is an unsymmetrical sulfide, one end from cysteine and the other from homocysteine. The name relates it to cystine and methionine. A crystalline compound containing two carboxyl and two amino groups and one sulfur atom was isolated from the products obtained by treating wool with sodium sulfide. 118a, 135a, 135a It has been obtained from horses' hoofs. There was isolated

from a vetch growing in a seleniferous region an amino acid of the composition, $C_{21}H_{44}N_6Se_2SO_{12}$, which was considered to be an isomorphous mixture of cystathionine with its selenium analog.^{359a}

The first synthesis was from homocysteine and β -chloro- α -aminopropionic acid:

The homocystine was dissolved in liquid ammonia, containing sodium, and the chloro compound added. ^{135a, 750} Several optical isomers were obtained by starting with different forms of the two reactants. ²⁸ In another synthesis the cystine is reduced by sodium in liquid ammonia and 3,6-bis (2-chloroethyl)-2,5-diketo-piperazine added. The reaction product is hydrolyzed by dilute hydrochloric acid. ^{30, 682d, 684, 784} In still another, homocysteine-thiolactone is heated with α-aminoacrylic acid. The mercaptan corresponding to the thiolactone adds across the double bond. ^{632b} L-Cystathionine containing radioactive sulfur has been synthesized for use in feeding experiments. ⁵⁸⁹

The chromatographic separation of cystathionine from methionine and other related substances has been studied.⁶⁵⁵

Cystathionine is cleaved by a rat liver enzyme to cysteine. It may be an intermediate in the transformation of methionine to cysteine.^{95, 96} The diketopiperazine of cystathionine does not support growth in rats.^{686c}

Homolanthionine

This is related to homocystine in the same way that lanthionine is to cystine. It can be obtained by the acid hydrolysis of 3,6-bis-[2-(3-amino-3-carboxypropylmercaptoethyl)]-2,5-diketo-piperazine.^{682d, 784} Chromatographic methods are useful for the separation of homolanthionine from other compounds of this class.⁶⁵⁵

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Mercaptals and Mercaptoles

RCH(SR')₂

 $RR'C(SR'')_2$

Introduction

In the mercaptals,^{7a} which correspond to the acetals, RCH-(OR')₂, the carbonyl oxygen of an aldehyde is replaced by two—SR groups. The mercaptoles ^{7a} are similarly related to ketones but here the oxygen analogs are scarcely known. Mercaptans, in the presence of an acid catalyst, react with ketones as well as with aldehydes though less vigorously:

It is well to write both reactions as reversible, though the equilibrium is far to the right in both cases probably even further to the right for the mercaptals than for the mercaptoles.¹⁴⁷

In chapter 2, Volume I, it was shown that mercaptans are far less effective in the esterification of acids than are the alcohols but in their reactions with aldehydes and ketones the reverse is true. Mercaptans displace alcohols from acetals: 9, 84, 85, 86a, 119, 120, 138a, 143

$$RCH(OR')_2 + 2R''SH \rightleftharpoons RCH(SR'')_2 + 2R'OH_{OR}^{OR}$$

Boron trifluoride etherate is a catalyst for this reaction.^{28, 34} This reaction is, of course, reversible and its completeness will depend on various factors, one of the most important of which is the relative volatility of the alcohol and mercaptan. In fact a practical method of making the oxygen derivatives of ketones is to heat a mercaptole, with an alcohol and an acid catalyst, under a column: ^{108, 109}

$$Me_2C(SEt)_2 + 2 MeOH \Rightarrow Me_2C(OMe)_2 + 2 EtSH$$

A more volatile mercaptan distills out. In the presence of a catalyst there is interchange between thiols and mercaptals or mercaptoles.^{111.5}

Hemimercaptals and Hemimercaptoles

$$RCH(OH)SR'$$
 $RR'C(OH)SR''$

The reactions, as written above for the formation of mercaptals and mercaptoles from a mercaptan and an aldehyde or ketone, represent the starting materials and the final products. They do not take account of intermediate steps. Physical measurements show that some combination takes place when an alcohol and an aldehyde are mixed:

$$RCHO + HOR' \leftrightarrow RCH(OH)OR'$$

The products are known as hemiacetals. In general they are unstable and cannot be isolated. The addition products of water and aldehydes are of the same sort:

$$RCHO + H_2O \rightleftharpoons RCH(OH)_2$$

Chloral hydrate, Cl₃CHO·H₂O, and alcoholate, Cl₃CHO·EtOH, should be written Cl₃CH(OH)₂ and Cl₃CH(OH)OEt. They are exceptionally stable. The stable forms of the thioaldoses are usually cyclic hemimercaptals.

The tendency of mercaptans to unite with aldehydes is even stronger than that of alcohols:

$$RCHO + HSR' \Rightarrow RCH(OH)SR'$$

This is evidenced by the evolution of heat when acetaldehyde and ethanethiol are mixed.^{55a} The location of the equilibrium and the stability of the hemimercaptal are conditioned by the natures of the aldehyde and of the mercaptan. The formation

of hemimercaptoles is similar but usually does not go so far. Hemimercaptals, RCH (OH) SR', are placed with other hydroxysulfides in the property list, chapter 7, Volume II.

Hemithioformals have been isolated in approximate purity. Only their densities have been determined, EtSCH₂OH d 14/4 1.070, PrSCH₂OH d 14/4 1.018, *i*-AmSCH₂OH d 14/4 0.924, and PhSCH₂OH d 14/4 1.182.⁹⁶ Formaldehyde unites with cysteine ⁶⁴ and with ethyl mercaptan with evolution of heat.^{55a}

Chloral forms stable hemimercaptals, Cl₃CH(OH)SR, corresponding to the alcoholates.^{52.5, 103, 104.7} The dissociation constants for the methyl, ethyl, butyl, allyl, and phenyl compounds have been determined.^{79, 110}

Methylglyoxal forms hemimercaptals, MeCOCH (OH) SR.⁶⁶, ¹⁵⁶, ¹⁸² Phenyl- and thienyl-glyoxals, PhCOCHO and C₄H₃S-COCHO, form particularly stable hemimercaptals with a variety of mercaptans. These may be recrystallized and have definite melting points, several as high as 90°.^{88c}, ⁸⁹, ¹⁶¹ Glyoxylic and pyruvic acids combine with phenyl and benzyl mercaptans.¹⁶¹ Pyruvic acid, MeCOCOOH, though a ketone, is active in combining with mercaptans.²³, ¹⁴¹ Heat is evolved when it unites with thioglycolic acid to form a crystalline compound.²¹, ⁵⁴

Thioglycolic acid and its anilide, HSCH₂CONHPh, form addition products with aldehydes which are regarded as hemimercaptals. Cysteine gives similar compounds.¹⁵⁶ Glutathione and thiolactic acid appear to be constituents of hemimercaptals which serve as substrates for certain enzymes.¹⁴ Hemimercaptals are formed by the addition of mercaptans to phenanthraquinone, chrysoquinone, and acenaphthaquinone. These are well crystallized compounds.¹⁵¹ Heat is evolved when ethylene mercaptan is mixed with an aldheyde.^{47a} Opianic acid and *p*-nitrophenyl mercaptan give 3-(*p*-NO₂C₆H₄S)-6,7-dimethoxyphthalide, a lactone of the hemimercaptal.^{48b} The same mercaptan forms a hemimercaptal with trichloroacetaldehyde, but only by the aid of hydrogen chloride. The mercaptal is not formed.^{49c} Benzylpenilloaldehyde forms a hemimercaptal with thiophenol, m. 87°.²⁶

The reactions above for the formation of hemimercaptals are all written as reversible. Even the most stable of them are easily hydrolyzed to the original aldehydes and mercaptans.^{7a}

The grouping —N·CH(OH)S— is present in the pseudo-bases derived from thiazolium salts.^{107, 179}

The well known addition product of carvone and hydrogen sulfide, which melts at 190°, probably contains the group, :C(OH)SH, and may be put alongside of the hemimercaptoles.^{6,75,173} The addition product of benzaldehyde and hydrogen disulfide, which has been formulated as PhCH(OH)SS(HO)CHPh, may be mentioned here.²⁷ The recently discovered *gem*-dithiols, RCH(SH)₂, which have been taken up in chapter 1, Volume I, may be placed with RCH(OH)SH.²⁸

Mercaptals

The formation of a mercaptal must go in two stages:

RCHO + HSR'
$$\rightleftharpoons$$
 RCH(OH)SR'
RCH(OH)SR' + HSR' \rightleftharpoons RCH(SR') $_{o}$ + H $_{o}$ O

As stated above, the first reaction takes place on simple mixing of the reactants. The second requires an acid catalyst. Similar statements can be made about the formation of mercaptoles. Hydrogen chloride is the commonly used catalyst. It is passed into the mixture of equivalent amounts of aldehyde and mercaptan at room temperature. The speed of the reaction depends on the reactivities of both reactants. With some mixtures a single bubble of the gas is sufficient to bring about the reaction and cooling may be necessary to moderate it. With others, saturation with the gas is necessary, and with some the addition of zinc chloride is required. The reaction may be practically instantaneous or may take several hours or days. The separation of water shows its progress. As the water that is formed may not separate out well on account of small density differences, it is convenient to add some zinc chloride to collect it. The nonaqueous layer is separated and resaturated with hydrogen chloride and left overnight. It is then dried with zinc chloride and fractionated. 55a, 130

A zinc mercaptide and an aldehyde are dissolved in alcohol and the solution saturated with hydrogen chloride.¹⁴²

Formaldehyde and other water-soluble aldehydes react satisfactorily in aqueous solution.

When there is no excess of mercaptan the hemimercaptal reacts with the hydrogen chloride: 17

$$RCH(SR')OH + HCI \rightleftharpoons RCHCISR' + H_2O$$

The α -chloroalkyl sulfide is very reactive with water, alcohols, or mercaptans. It may be considered an intermediate in the formation of mercaptals:^{18.5}

$$RCHCISR' + HSR' \Rightarrow RCH(SR')_2 + HC$$

The chloromethyl sulfides, RSCH₂Cl, from formaldehyde are the best known of this class.¹⁸¹ See chapter 4, Volume II.

Formaldehyde reacts particularly well with mercaptans. Many mercaptals, H₂C(SR)₂, have been made.^{56, 96, 146, 164} The double ended aldehyde glyoxal reacts with four molecules of a mercaptan to give double mercaptals such as (PhS)₂CH·CH(SPh)₂.¹⁶⁶ 2,3-Dichloro-1,4-dioxane reacts with mercaptans giving the same products as glyoxal.¹²⁶

A mixture of mercaptans gives an equilibrium of all of the possible mercaptals: 65b

4 HCHO + 4 MeSH + 4 EtSH
$$\rightleftharpoons$$
 H₂C(SMe)₂ + 2 H₂C(SMe)SEt + H₂C(SEt)₂

If this mixture is fractionated the first thing to go over will be the dimethyl mercaptal, which is the most volatile. If the catalyst is still present the equilibrium will be readjusted continuously during the distillation with the result that the mixed mercaptal will disappear. There will be only two fractions, the low boiling dimethyl thioformal and the high boiling diethyl compound. If, however, the catalyst is completely eliminated before distillation there will be three fractions, the middle one being the mixed mercaptal.

The mixed mercaptal can be obtained through the intermediate chloromethyl ethyl sulfide:

EtSH + HCHO + HCI
$$\rightleftharpoons$$
 EtSCH₂CI + H₂O

This is treated with sodium methyl mercaptide:

The mixed thioformal can be purified by distillation.^{18, 20}
This chloride reacts also with sodium ethylate: ²⁰

The product is a monothioformal. The same compound can be prepared starting with chloromethyl ethyl ether: 175

If this is heated in the presence of even a trace of an acid it disproportionates into an equilibrium mixture of formal, monothioformal, and dithioformal. If this mixture is fractionated in the presence of the catalyst, the equilibrium is continuously readjusted and only two fractions are obtained, the formal and the dithioformal. Any α -chloroether reacts similarly with a mercaptan or a sodium mercaptide. A monothioacetal can be formed by the addition of a mercaptan to a vinyl ether with acid catalyst: 32b , 90 , $^{157.5}$

When formaldehyde, water, an alcohol, a mercaptan, and hydrochloric acid are present in a mixture there is a mobile equilibrium among all possible products, $H_2C(OH)SR$, $H_2C(SR)_2$, $H_2C(OH)OR'$, $H_2C(OR')_2$, $H_2C(OR')Cl$, $H_2C(SR)Cl$, $H_2C(OR')SR$. The relative proportions of these depend on the concentrations of the original reactants and the equilibria in the several reactions. If one of the products separates out, on account of volatility or insolubility, the equilibrium is disturbed and more of that product will be formed.

The chlorides, R₂C(SR)Cl, which may be intermediate products in the formation of mercaptoles are not well known. An aromatic sulfenyl chloride reacts with an aliphatic diazo compound to give a haloalkyl aryl sulfide: ¹⁵³

$$R_2CN_2 + ArSCI \rightarrow R_2C(SAr)CI + N_2$$

Aromatic compounds of this type, such as Ph₂C(SPh)Cl, are unstable to heat. This chloride goes into a mixture of the mercaptole, Ph₂C(SPh)₂, and stilbene when it is shaken with mercury.¹⁵⁴

Mercaptoethanol may give a straight mercaptal, RCH(SCH₂-CH₂OH)₂,⁵⁷ or a cyclic mixed acetal-mercaptal: ^{88b}

3-Chloroallyl mercaptan and acetaldehyde give CH₃CH (SCH₂-CH:CHCl)₂.³¹ Sulfide aldehydes, PhCH₂SCH₂CHO and Et-SCH₂CH₂CHO, react regularly with mercaptans.^{58, 138a}

Trithio-orthoformic esters, HC(SR)₃, may serve as sources of RS— groups for making mercaptals: ^{32a, 124}

$$\text{RCHO} \ + \ \ \text{HC(SR')}_3 \quad \rightarrow \quad \ \ \text{RCH(SR')}_2 \ + \ \ \text{HCOSR'}$$

Mercaptals and mercaptoles can be made directly from Bunte salts.^{65a, 165, 176} This avoids the handling of the odorous mercaptan in the manufacture of sulfonal.^{46a}

Mercaptals are produced by adding mercaptans to acetylene: ¹³¹

$$HC:CH + 2 ErSH \rightarrow CH_3CH(SEt)_2$$

With butyl acetylene the addition goes in two stages: 82

The mercaptals from higher dimercaptans, such as hexamethylene and decamethylene are linear polymers. 104, 104.3, 104.5 The reaction products of butyl and benzyl mercaptans with spruce lignin may be mercaptals. 22

Methylene halides can be used with alkali and simple 5, 19a, 55a, 61, 91, 92a, 159, 167 or complex 12 mercaptans:

Dichloroacetic acid,¹² its ester,^{19b} and amide ⁴² have been used similarly:

Chloroform and even carbon tetrachloride give the same products as methylene chloride, the extra chlorine serving to oxidise a part of the mercaptide to the disulfide.^{7c}

Many mercaptals have been made from thioglycolic acid, which is sufficiently acid to serve as its own catalyst: ^{21, 72b, 74}

β-Mercaptopropionic acid has been used with a variety of aldehydes.^{73c, 165} There are meso and racemic forms of the mercaptal from formaldehyde and thiolactic acid.⁵³

The mercaptals from thioglycolic and β -mercaptopropionic acids have been proposed as suitable derivatives for the identifi-

cation of aldehydes ^{135, 142} and ketones. ¹³⁵ Many of them have satisfactory melting points. Their neutralization equivalents furnish further identification. ¹³⁵ As will be seen later, mercaptals are particularly useful for the isolation and characterization of sugars. The preparation and cleavage of a number of thioglycolic acid derivatives have been studied with a view to their use in identifying and estimating the decomposition products of lignin, such as propionic and protocatechuic aldehydes, vanillin, veratraldehyde, phenylacetaldehyde, phenylpropionaldehyde, pyruvic, and acetoacetic acids. ^{72a}

Three molecules of benzaldehyde react with two of 4-amino- α -thionaphthol to form a Schiff's base-mercaptal, PhCH- $(SC_{10}H_6N:CHPh)_2^{183}$

The mercaptals and mercaptoles from the reactions of aldehydes and ketones with ethylene, trimethylene, and o-phenylene dimercaptans are cyclic sulfides and have been taken up in chapter 1. Those from thioglycolic and other mercaptoacids are bis-sulfide acids and are in chapter 3.

Mercaptoles

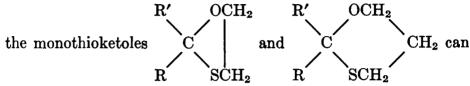
These have been prepared in considerable variety.39 Ketones are not as reactive as aldehydes of the same class. Thus, acetone and benzophenone are inferior in reactivity to acetaldehyde and benzaldehyde. Ketones having two large alkyls, particularly if these have branches near the carbonyl group, are sluggish. Methyl ketones, MeCOR, are reactive, even up to methyl nonyl.95 Cyclopentanone 130, 174 and cyclohexanone 69, 129a, 130, 174 are as reactive as acetone. With ethyl phenyl ketone 145 and with benzophenone 7b, 113, 145 zinc chloride must be added. Three molecules of ethyl mercaptan react with benzoin but one is split off leaving PhC (SEt): C (SEt) Ph. 122b When a mercaptan reacts with formylacetone the final product is MeC(SR):CHCH(SR)2, which may result from the loss of a molecule of the mercaptan from MeC-(SR)₂CH₂CH(SR)₂ or a molecule of water from the hemimercaptole, MeC(SR) (OH) CH₂CH(SR)₂.^{42.5} Perhaps water is lost from a bezoin hemimercaptole in the above reaction.

The reactivity of the mercaptan decreases somewhat as the molecular weight increases. 121e n-Butyl mercaptan is active. 177 Thiophenol is less reactive than the aliphatic mercaptans. 122a

Ketosulfides,^{2c} α-chloroketones,¹²³ hydroxy-ketones,⁴⁰ and iso-

nitrosoacetone ^{121a} react normally with mercaptans to give the corresponding mercaptoles. (EtSCH₂)₂CO ¹³⁷ and 2-acetfurane ^{88a} also react normally with mercaptans.

As the formation of a mercaptole is a reversible reaction, interchange may take place between a ketone and a mercaptole. Thus



be made by displacing acetone by a higher ketone.41.5

9,9-Dichlorofluorene reacts with thiophenol in benzene solution.¹⁵⁴ The benzyl mercaptoles can be made from 9-fluorenone.^{137.5}

There has been considerable interest in the mercaptoles from ketosteroids. 13, 68, 69, 80, 81, 97, 115, 128, 137.7a

In a ketoacid the reactivity of the carbonyl group is influenced by its distance from the carbonyl and by the presence of substituents on adjacent carbon atoms.

Mercaptoles can be made by replacing the active methylene of malonic and acetoacetic esters by alkylmercapto groups.^{4.5}

Heat is evolved and a hemimercaptole is formed when pyruvic acid is mixed with a mercaptan. With more of the same mercaptan and a catalyst this goes into the mercaptole.⁴⁵ With a different mercaptan some of the mixed mercaptole is obtained.^{122d} In making a mercaptole from pyruvic acid and a mercaptan, if the mixture is not cooled, carbon dioxide is eliminated leaving a mercaptal.⁴⁵ When pyruvic mercaptoles are oxidised the carboxyl is lost: ^{45, 121b, 122d}

$$2 O_2 + MeC(SEt)_2CO_2H \rightarrow MeCH(SO_2Et)_2 + CO_2$$

Acetoacetic ester forms mercaptoles readily ^{2b, 7c, 45, 121b, 121e} but the presence of an alkyl in the methylene group cuts down the reactivity. When there are two alkyls in this group only the lower mercaptans react and the products are unstable. ^{121e} The free acids lose half of the mercaptan: ^{121b}

Similarly β-ketoglutaric acid forms mercaptoles readily and the free acids lose mercaptan: ^{2b, 121b}

$$(EtS)_2C(CH_2CO_2H)_2 \rightarrow HO_2CCH_2C(SEt):CHCO_2H + EtSH$$

As will be shown later on, the loss of half of the mercaptan is a general reaction but in these cases it takes place under unusually mild conditions.

The reactivity of a ketone is diminished by the proximity of a double bond to the carbonyl, or rather by the —SR group which is present after the addition of the mercaptan across the double bond. Some unsaturated ketones react with three molecules of a mercaptan, one for the double bond and two for the carbonyl. When a carbonyl group is between two double bonds two molecules of mercaptan are added but no mercaptole is formed. Benzoquinone, which may be formulated as belonging to this class, reacts as a monoketone. There is no addition of the mercaptan. 1296

A mercaptoacid may react with a keto-acid: 73a, 92b

 $\texttt{PhCOCH}_2 \texttt{SCH}_2 \texttt{CO}_2 \texttt{H} \ + \ 2 \ \texttt{HSCH}_2 \texttt{CO}_2 \texttt{H} \ \rightarrow \ \texttt{PhC} (\texttt{SCH}_2 \texttt{CO}_2 \texttt{H})_2 \texttt{CH}_2 \texttt{SCH}_2 \texttt{CO}_2 \texttt{H} \ + \ \texttt{H}_2 \texttt{O}$

In concentrated sulfuric acid benzhydrol and a mercaptan give a mercaptole: ¹⁵

$$\mathsf{Ph}_2\mathsf{CHOH} \quad + \quad \mathsf{2} \; \mathsf{PhSH} \qquad \rightarrow \qquad \; \mathsf{Ph}_2\mathsf{C(SPh)}_2$$

Diketones have been extensively investigated with reference to mercaptole formation. If the two carbonyls are at a distance from each other they react independently. With α- and β-diketones, dimercaptoles are formed only when the terminal groups are methyls and the intervening group of the β-ketone is methylene. Otherwise only one carbonyl reacts and the other becomes inactive to hydroxylamine and phenylhydrazine, as well as to mercaptans. Thus, we have MeC(SEt)₂·C(SEt)₂Me, MeC-(SEt)₂·CH₂·C(SEt)₂Me and MeC(SCH₂Ph)₂C(SCH₂Ph)₂Me, in contrast to MeC(SEt)₂·COEt, 2 PhC(SEt)₂·COPh and MeC-(SEt)₂·CHMe·COMe. Benzil requires zinc chloride in addition to hydrogen chloride and then only one carbonyl reacts.^{11, 121c} It would be of interest to reinvestigate this field using a greater variety of mercaptans such as are now available.

In acetonylacetone the carbonyls are far enough apart to act independently. The dimercaptoles have been prepared from the normal mercaptans methyl to dodecyl. The melting points make an interesting pattern. They show alternation just as if one chain were being lengthened instead of four.

Mercaptoacids, such as thioglycolic, react with ketones as well as with aldehydes but not so readily. The mercaptoles,

RR'C(SCH₂CO₂H)₂, have been mentioned in chapter 3 as bissulfide acids. They are considered here as mercaptoles. Thioglycolic acid has been a favorite mercaptan for the synthesis of mercaptoles in general.^{21, 72a, 73d, 165} The ethyl ester ¹⁵⁸ and the anilide ^{10, 62} function as the acid. β -Mercaptopropionic acid also has been used frequently.^{73c}

In their reactions with both aldehydes and ketones, β-chloroethyl,³⁷ p-nitrophenyl,^{49a, 49b, 59} and 3-thienyl ^{24, 25} mercaptans, ClCH₂CH₂SH, p-NO₂C₆H₄SH, and 3-C₄H₃S·SH, behave as ordinary mercaptans. The same is true of thiofurfuryl alcohol, C₄H₃O·CH₂SH.^{30.5}

An aminomercaptal ¹⁰⁵ and an aminomercaptole ^{121a} have been made by way of phthalimide. Quite a number of these have been made from cysteine which reacts normally with aldehydes and ketones.^{1, 106, 117, 156} The aminomercaptal, MeCH (NH₂)CH-(SEt)₂ has been prepared by displacing alcohol from the corresponding acetal by mercaptan.⁹

Selenomercaptans condense with ketones in the presence of hydrogen chloride: 157

$${\rm Me_2CO}$$
 + 2 HSeEt \rightarrow ${\rm Me_2C(SeEt)_2}$ + ${\rm H_2O}$

In this section mercaptals and mercaptoles are taken up together, though some of the reactions relate more specifically to the one than to the other.

The reactions of mercaptals are said to be dependent on the possibility of setting up valency structures which involve the expansion of the valency shell of the sulfur atom. The reactions which involve the breaking of a carbon-sulfur bond have been reviewed. 169

In solution in acetic acid containing hydrogen chloride, formaldehyde displaces ketones and other aldehydes and may react further with aromatic formals so formed.¹⁷⁰

The acid hydrolysis of mercaptals and mercaptoles is simply the reversal of the reactions by which they are formed: ^{7a}

If mercuric chloride, which reacts with the mercaptans to form stable insoluble mercaptides, is present the hydrolysis goes to completion.^{9, 41, 72a, 73d, 73e} Mercaptoles are cleaved in the pres-

ence of cadmium chloride but mercaptals are not.^{72a} As will be seen in the next section, much use has been made of this reaction in the sugar group.

The halfway mercaptole MeC(SEt)₂CH₂COMe, from acetylacetone, when treated with sodium ethoxide, gives a crystalline sodium derivative.⁹⁹

Acting as a bis-sulfide, a mercaptal forms a bis-sulfonium compound with ethyl iodide:

$$H_2C(SEt)_2 + 2EtI \rightarrow H_2C(SEt_2I)_2$$

Iodoform may be added to this.46b

Both mercaptals and mercaptoles as such are stable to alkali ⁶⁰ but hydrolysis does occur when another part of the molecule is subject to attack.^{2a, 118} This is illustrated by the alkaline hydrolysis of a mercaptole containing a sulfone group: ¹¹⁸

$$\label{eq:phso2} Phso_2CH_2CMe(SPh)_2 \ + \ 2\ H_2O \ \rightarrow \ Phso_2Me \ + \ 2\ Phsh \ + \ MeCO_2H$$
 The first step may be:

$$\mathsf{PhSO}_2\mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{CMe}(\mathsf{SPh})_2 \quad + \quad \mathsf{H}_2\mathsf{O} \qquad \rightarrow \qquad \mathsf{PhSO}_2\mathsf{CH}_3 \quad + \quad \mathsf{MeC}(\mathsf{SPh})_2\mathsf{OH}$$

Or, to look at it another way, the ketone, PhSO₂CH₂COMe, from which the mercaptole is derived, is subject to alkaline hydrolysis.

It has been noted above that the mercaptoles of acetoacetic 121b and of $\beta\text{-ketoglutaric}\,^{2a}$ acids lose half of the mercaptan spontaneously. Only a few of the lower mercaptals or mercaptoles can be distilled, even at reduced pressures. Under atmospheric pressure mercaptan is split out: $^{34,\ 163,\ 178}$

$$\text{Me}_2\text{C(SEt)}_2 \rightarrow \text{CH}_2\text{:CMeSEt} + \text{EtSH}$$

Hydrogen chloride and zinc chloride facilitate this reaction.²⁹ This is a convenient way to make olefinic sulfides.¹⁷² Heating with zinc chloride causes more drastic decomposition: ¹⁶³

$$\mathsf{Me_2C(SBu)_2} \qquad \rightarrow \qquad \mathsf{CH_2:C:CH_2} \quad + \quad \mathsf{2}\; \mathsf{BuSH}$$

The decomposition has been known to go in a different direction: 8

$$Me_2C(SEt)_2 \rightarrow Me_2CS + Et_2S$$

The thioacetone was not isolated but its presence was inferred from the odor, which is said to surpass all other odors in intensity.⁸ Fortunately other workers have not been able to repeat this.¹⁶³ Aryl mercaptoles do decompose in this way: ¹⁴⁹, ¹⁵⁰, ¹⁵²

By a series of reactions, starting with sodium malonic ester and carbon disulfide, the acid, (MeS)₂C:C(CO₂H)₂, is obtained. The loss of carbon dioxide leaves a ketene mercaptal, H₂C:-C(SMe)₂.86b, 87

A Grignard reagent removes one —SR group:

$$RCH(SR')_2 + R''MgX \rightarrow RR''CHSR' + R'SMgX$$

The product is an alkyl sulfide.

Raney nickel removes the —SR groups from mercaptals and mercaptoles. In most cases hydrogen atoms are put in their places.^{13, 68, 114, 137.7b, 180} Thus 3-cholestanone is converted to a mercaptole and this is treated with Raney nickel to give cholestane.¹³ A mercaptal of benzaldehyde is converted to stilbene.^{70, 71} Sodium removes —SPh from Ph₂C(SPh)₂ leaving tetraphenylethylene, Ph₂C:CPh₂.¹⁴⁸ Sodium in liquid ammonia converts cyclohexanone dibenzyl mercaptole into cyclohexyl mercaptan and benzylcyclohexane.^{162,5} Hydrogenation over molybdenum sulfide removes one methylmercapto group and then the other from cyclohexanone dimethyl mercaptole: ^{31.5}

$$\mathsf{CH}_2(\mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{CH}_2)_2\mathsf{C}(\mathsf{SMe})_2 \qquad \rightarrow \qquad \mathsf{C}_6\mathsf{H}_{11}\mathsf{SMe} \qquad \rightarrow \qquad \mathsf{C}_6\mathsf{H}_{12}$$

Hydrogenolysis may split a mercaptal: 83

$$PhCOCH_2CH(SEt)_2 + 2H_2 \rightarrow PhCOCH_2CH_3 + 2EtSH$$

Chlorine, bromine, and iodine may be added to the two sulfur atoms. Hydrolysis of these addition products gives bis-sulf-oxides: 47b, 55b

$$RCH(SBr_2R')_2 + 2H_2O \rightarrow RCH(SOR')_2 + 4HB_1$$

These bis-sulfoxides have been obtained by oxidation with hydrogen peroxide ^{18, 56} and with permanganate.⁴ In the presence of water, bromine converts a mercaptal into the aldehyde and the disulfide: ^{61.5}

$$\text{R'CH(SR)}_2 \hspace{0.1cm} + \hspace{0.1cm} \text{Br}_2 \hspace{0.1cm} + \hspace{0.1cm} \text{H}_2 \text{O} \hspace{0.1cm} \rightarrow \hspace{0.1cm} \text{R'CHO} \hspace{0.1cm} + \hspace{0.1cm} \text{RSSR} \hspace{0.1cm} + \hspace{0.1cm} 2 \hspace{0.1cm} \text{HBr}$$

This is the basis for titrating a mercaptal with bromide-bromate.^{61.7} Chlorination may give the sulfone chloride corresponding to the mercaptan:

The sulfone Me₂C(SO₂Et)₂ is not an intermediate since it is stable under the conditions.⁹⁴ The explanation seems to be that the mercaptan is liberated by acid hydrolysis and is then chlorinated.

The best known reaction of both mercaptals and mercaptoles is their oxidation to the bis-sulfones:

In many cases the mercaptals and mercaptoles have been prepared only as intermediates and not characterized as such. The oxidation products are often better known than the products from which they are derived. The bis-sulfones are more apt to be solids and hence easier to characterize. The oxidising agent most often used has been potassium permanganate.2b, 3, 7c, 45, 47b, 55a, 56, 95, 118, 121a, 121c, 122a, 122d, 129a, 145, 163, 174 Chromate, 177 nitric acid,47b, 177 persulfate,73b, 73e and phthalic monoperacid 19b have been employed. Hydrogen peroxide has come into extensive use.4, 12, 18, 42, 65b, 138a Electrolytic oxidation may stop at the bissulfoxide or at the bis-sulfone or go on to ethanesulfonic acid.⁵¹ The electrolytic oxidation product from Me₂C (SEt)₂, which was formerly supposed to be Me₂C(SOEt)₂, has been found to be EtSO₂SEt.⁵⁰ The oxidation of PhCH(SCH₂COOK)₂ by potassium persulfate gives the lactone of α-hydroxybenzylmercaptoacetic acid. 73b, 73e

Though it does not belong to the chemistry of bivalent sulfur, to which this work is restricted, a striking property of these bissulfones may be mentioned. That is their stability. Where there are two carbonyl groups on a single carbon atom, as in aceto-acetic ester, hydrolysis takes place readily, but when the carbonyls are on adjacent carbon atoms there is no hydrolysis. With bis-sulfones it is just the reverse; RSO₂CH₂CH₂SO₂R are readily hydrolyzed while RSO₂CH₂SO₂R are not. Malonic acid is unstable while H₂C(SO₃H)₂ is stable. A carboxyl on the same carbon atom as a sulfone group, as in RSO₂CH₂COOH, is easily eliminated.

Uses

Forming mercaptals has been recommended as a way of getting undesirable mercaptans out of hydrocarbon distillates.^{16, 78, 98, 127}.

¹³² On the other hand this reaction may be employed to get aldehydes or ketones out of mixtures. ¹⁵⁵

The mercaptals from acetaldehyde and t-butyl and t-dodecyl mercaptans are claimed as selective solvents for separating olefins and paraffins.³³

Several mercaptals are mothproofing agents.^{63, 102} Certain mercaptals are pickling inhibitors.⁹³ Acetone mercaptoles are claimed as stabilizers and antioxidants.^{38, 111, 112, 139} Derivatives of sugars are specially mentioned.¹⁶⁰ One is a catalyst for phenol-ketone condensations ⁷⁷ and several are therapeutic agents.¹³⁶

It is claimed that useful products are obtained by condensing mercaptals with oxo compounds.¹⁴⁴ Mercaptals and mercaptoles from 3-thiophenethiol are said to be additives for petroleum fractions.²⁴ The mercaptole from thioglycolic acid and levulinic acid is of value in the regulation of plant growth.^{112.5}

Certain mercaptals have been claimed as dye intermediates,^{44,86a} others as waxes or wetting agents ³⁹ and still others as lacquer constituents.⁴³ The reaction product of a mercaptan with formylacetone is claimed as an intermediate for making a cyanine dye.^{42,5}

Mercaptals from chloral are said to be useful in extreme pressure lubricants.³⁵ Mercaptals from salicylaldehyde are claimed as useful in coatings for textiles and paper and in plasticizers for rubber.¹⁷¹ The mercaptole, Me₂(SC₆H₄Cl-p)₂, is claimed as a miticide.⁷⁸

Physical Properties

Here, as in other chapters, the property list shows what compounds have been made and who made them. The remarks in the introduction to the tables in chapter 1, Volume I apply here also with equal force.

The thioformals, $H_2C(SR)_2$, are in the sulfide table in chapter 3, Volume II, mercaptals and mercaptoles of mercaptoacids are with sulfide acids in chapter 3 and cyclic compounds are in chapter 1 on cyclic sulfides.

The parachors of mercaptoles are normal.¹⁰¹ Ultraviolet spectra have been determined.^{48a}

Mercaptals

MeCH (SMe)₂, b. 156–8°. 65b MeCH (SEt)₂, b₁₂ 77°, 32b b₁₉ 73°, 131 b₇₅₈ 186–9°, 124 b. 185–7°; 55a .

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^{100} d 26/4 0.9425, d 27/4 0.9550; n 26/D 1.4984, n 28/D 1.4985. ^{124}
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MeCH (SPr)₂, b₁₃ 116°; d 23.5/4 0.9539; n 23.5/D 1.4950.¹²⁴

MeCH (SBu)₂, b₃ 105°; d °/4 0.9397, d 25/4 0.9245; n 20/D 1.4900.¹⁷⁷

MeCH (SBu-t)₂, b₃ 85–92°, ¹⁶² b₆₀ 135–6°; d₂₄ 0.910; n 20/D 1.4858.³³

 $MeCH(SC_{12}H_{25}-t)_2$, d_{24} 0.920; n 20/D 1.4928.33

MeCH (SMe) SPh, b₁₀ 140-5°.65b

 $MeCH(SCH_2CH_2OEt)_2$, $b_{4.5}$ 131–4°; d 20/4 1.0120; n 20/D 1.4893.¹²⁵

 $MeCH(SCH_2CH_2OBu)_2$, $b_{3.5}$ 166.5–9°; d 20/4 0.9702; n 20/D 1.4814.¹²⁵

MeCH (SCH₂CH:CHCl)₂, b₁₃ 162-4°.31

 $MeCH(SC_6H_4NH_2-p)_2$, m. 83°; diAc., m. 193°. 136

 $MeCH(SCH_2Ph)_2$, b_5 200–5°, $b_{0.5}$ $b_{0.5}$ 168°. $b_{0.5}$ $b_{$

 $MeCH(SCH_2C_6H_4NO_2-p)_2$, m. 32°. 142

 $MeCH(SC_4H_3O-2)_2$, b_{13} 165–7°. 30.5

EtCH (SEt)₂, b₇ 70-5°,²⁸ b. 196-200°; ^{55a} d 25/4 0.954; n 25/d 1.4969.²⁸

EtCH (SC₄H₃O-2)₂, b₁₃ 185-7°. 30.5

 $PrCH (SBu-t)_2$, b₄ 107–110°. ¹⁶²

 $PrCH(SC_6H_4NO_2-p)_2$, m. 87°.49a

PrCH (SC₄H₃S-3)₂, b₂ 173-6°.^{24, 25}

PrCH (SC₄H₃O-2)₂, b₃ 180-1°.30.5

i-PrCH (SEt)₂, b. 200–10°. 55a

 $i\text{-BuCH}(SC_4H_3O\text{-}2)_2$, b₃ 192–3°.30.5

PhCH(SBu)₂, b₄ 167°; d 0/0 1.0180, d 25/4 0.9970; n 20/D 1.4445.¹⁷⁷

PhCH (SBu-t)₂, m. 146.5°. 162

PhCH (SPh)₂, m. 51°.^{111.5}

PhCH (SCH₂Ph)₂, m. 61°,¹⁷⁶ 60°,^{111.5} 63°.^{18.5}

PhCH (SC_4H_3S-3)₂, b₁ 100°.²⁴

PhCH (SCH₂CH₂OH)₂, m. 58°.57

PhCH (SCMe₂CH₂NH₂)₂, m. 195°.^{32.5}

 $PhCH_2CH_2CH_3CH_3S-3)_2$, $b_1 \ 100^{\circ}.^{24}$

 $p-\text{MeC}_6\text{H}_4\text{CH}(\text{SC}_6\text{H}_4\text{Me-}p)_2$, m. 72°. 170

 $p\text{-Me}_2\text{CHC}_6\text{H}_4\text{CH} (\text{SCH}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{NO}_2\text{-}p)_2, \text{ m. } 84^{\circ}.^{142}$

 $CH_2:C(SMe)_2, b_{10} 80^{\circ}.87$

CH:CCH(SEt)₂, b₁₀ 125°.86

 $CH_2:CHCH(SEt)_2$, b_9 83°. 138a

MeCH:CHCH(SEt)₂, b₂₄ 128°, b₁₀ 116°; n 20/D 1.5256.67 PhCH:CHCH(SCH₂C₆H₄NO₂-p)₂, m. 140°. ¹⁴² 2-C₄H₃O·CH (SC₄H₃O-2)₂, b₁ 100°,²⁴ b₃ 210-2°.^{80.5} CHOCH (SCH₂Ph)₂, m. 174°. 145.5 $[CH(SCH_2Ph)_2]_2$, m. 68°. 126 $ClCH_2CH_2CH(SEt)_2$, b_{11} 115–7°. ^{138a} HOCH₂CH₂CH(SEt)₂, b₁₁ 143-5°. ^{138a} EtOCH₂CH₂CH(SEt)₂, b₉ 115°. 138a MeOCH₂CH (OMe) CH (SEt)₂, b₈ 129–30°. 138a MeOCH (SEt) CH₂CH (SEt)₂, b₃ 122-31°; n 25/D 1.5178.^{32a} EtSCH₂CH₂CH (SEt)₂, b_{0.2} 87°, b₉ 137-9°. 138a EtSCHMeCH(SEt)₂, $b_{0.3}$ 100°. ^{138a} BuSCHMeCH (SEt)₂, b_{0.3} 114-6°. 138a EtSCH:CHCH(SEt)₂, b₅ 185-92°, b₁₀ 190°.86 HSCH₂CHSHCH(SEt)₂, b_{0.5} 70–110°. 119 $MeCOCH(SMe)_2$, $b_{0.11}$ 94-6°. 19a $MeCOCH(SEt)_2$, b_{12} 110–2°. 19a $o-HOC_6H_4CH(SC_6H_4NO_2)_2$, m. 145°.49a $o-HOC_6H_4CH(SCH_2C_6H_4NO_2-p)_2$, m. 152°. 142 $2,5-Br(HO)C_6H_3CH(SC_6H_4Me-p)_2$, m. $97^{\circ}.^{170}$ $2,3-HO(MeO)C_6H_3CH(SBu-t)_2$, m. $63^{\circ}.^{162}$ $4,3-HO (MeO) C_6H_3CH (SCH_2Ph)_2$, m. $102^{\circ}.^{187.5}$ $4,3-HO (MeO) C_6H_3CH (SC_6H_4NO_2-p)_2$, m. $155^{\circ}.49a$ $4,3-HO(MeO)C_6H_3CH(SC_6H_4NH_2-p)_2$, m. $152^{\circ}.49a$ $o-O_2NC_6H_4CH(SPh)_2$, m. 101°. 170 $m-NO_2C_6H_4CH(SPh)_2$, m. 65.5°.170 $m-NO_2C_6H_4CH(SC_6H_4Me-p)_2$, m. 85.5°.170 $p-NO_2C_6H_4CH(SC_{18}H_{37})_2$, m. 55°.39 $p-NO_2C_6H_4CH(SC_6H_4NO_2-p)_2$, m. 166°.59 $p-NO_2C_6H_4CH(SC_6H_4NH_2-p)_2$, diAc., m. 223°. 136 $p-NH_2C_6H_4CH(SC_6H_4NH_2-p)_2$, triAc., m. 141°.59 $p-\text{Me}_2\text{NC}_6\text{H}_4\text{CH}(\text{SC}_6\text{H}_4\text{NO}_2-p)_2$, m. 175°.49a MeCH(NH₂)CH(SEt)₂, b₃ 105°; picrate, m. 154°.9°

Mercaptoles

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Me_2C(SAm)_2, b_2 109–11°; n 20/D 1.4870.38
Me_2C(SCet)_2, m. 53°.52
Me_2C(SPh)_2, m. 56^{\circ}.^{7b}
Me_2C(SC_6H_4Me-p)_2, m. 65°.56
Me_2C(SCH_2Ph)_2, b_5 195°.56
Me_2C(SCH_2CH_2Cl)_2, b_{23} 52–60°.37
Me_2C(SCH_2CH_2OEt)_2, b_7 134°; d 20/4 1.0026.168
Me_2C(SC_6H_4NO_2-p)_2, m. 122°.59
Me_2C(SC_6H_4NHCOMe-p)_2, m. 225°. 12, 136
Me_2C(SC_6H_4Cl-p)_2, m. 51°.78
Me_2C(SC_4H_3S-3)_2, b_1 148-53^{\circ}.^{24, 25}
Me_2C(SC_4H_3O-2)_2, b_3 170^{\circ}.^{30.5}
MeEtC(SEt)_2, b_{18.5} 99–100°. <sup>101</sup>
MeEtC(SC_6H_{11})_2, b<sub>3</sub> 175-6°; n 22/D 1.5305.<sup>109</sup>
MeEtC(SC_4H_3O-2)_2, b<sub>5</sub> 173-4°.30.5
Me(iPr)C(SC_4H_3O-2)_2, b<sub>5</sub> 185–6°.30.5
MePhC(SBu)<sub>2</sub>, b<sub>3</sub> 167-8°; d 0/4 1.0238, d 25/4 1.0083; n 20/D
   1.5535.177
MePhC(SPh)<sub>2</sub>, m. 155°.<sup>28.5</sup>
Me(C_4H_3S-2)C(SC_4H_3S-3)_2, m. 86^{\circ}.^{24, 25}
Me(C_4H_3O-2)C(SEt)_2, b_{2.5} 93–6°.88a
CH_2(CH_2CH_2)_2C(SMe)_2C(SMe)_2, b_{1.4} 73–5°; d_{25} 1.0504; n 25/D
   1.5384.^{31.5}
CH_2(CH_2CH_2)_2C(SEt)_2, b_{12} 67–110°. <sup>129a</sup>
CH_2(CH_2CH_2)_2C(SCH_2Ph)_2, b_{0.05} 165–7°,69 b_{0.15} 196°; n 25/D
   1.6050.162.5
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(p-PhC_6H_4)PhC(SCH_2Ph)_2, m. 108^{\circ}.^{150}
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(p-PhC_6H_4)C(SCH_2Ph)_2, m. 116°. 150
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 $(p-ClC_6H_4)PhC(SCH_2Ph)_2$, m. $107^{\circ}.^{150}$

 $(p-ClC_6H_4)_2C(SCH_2Ph)_2$, m. 95°. 150

 $(p-NO_2C_6H_4)$ PhC(SCH₂Ph)₂, m. 105°. 150

 $[2,4-(HO)_2C_6H_3]$ PhC(SBu)₂, m. 250°.¹⁵

 $[3,4-Me(MeO)C_6H_3]_2C(SCH_2Ph)_2$, m. 93°. 150

 $(p-\text{MeSC}_6\text{H}_4)_2\text{C}(\text{SPh})_2$, m. 119°. 113

 $(o-MeOC_6H_4)_2C(SCH_2Ph)_2$, m. $108^{\circ}.^{150}$

MeC(SPh)₂C(SPh)₂Me, m. 165°. 122a

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PhCOCH₂C(SEt)₂Ph, m. 60°. 121c

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Pr, m. -9.5°; d 25/4 1.000, n 25/D 1.5260.133

Bu, m. -9.0°; d 25/4 0.978; n 25/D 1.5151.133

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Mercaptals and Mercaptoles of the Sugar Group

Mercaptal formation has been of great service to researchers in the sugar group for the isolation and identification of aldoses. Thus, glucose is soluble in 3 parts of water at 0° and in 1.25 parts at 25° while its ethyl mercaptal is only slightly soluble and separates in long needles which have a sharp melting point and characteristic rotation. Converting an aldose into a mercaptal and then demercaptalating it back to the same aldose 38b, 41 has been used for obtaining sugars which can be isolated in no other way. In a mercaptal the aldose is fixed in the open chain, aldehyde form. After derivatives of this have been made the mercaptan can be removed leaving a derivative of the aldehyde form.

The chemistry of the sugar group is so intricate that far more space than is here available would be required to go into the details of the formation and properties of the individual mercaptals of the many sugars. A number of references are given so that particular mercaptals can be traced. The subject has been reviewed.⁵¹

Formation

The story begins with Emil Fischer in 1894. He made mercaptals from ethyl mercaptan with glucose, galactose, mannose,

arabinose, rhamnose, and α-glucoheptose but did not get them from fructose and sorbose. Lactose and sorbose reacted but the mercaptals did not crystallize out. His method, with slight variations, is still standard. To a mixture of 70 g. of glucose and 70 g. hydrochloric acid, cooled in ice, 40 g. of ethyl mercaptan were added in four portions with vigorous shaking. The mercaptal separated out in 10 to 20 minutes and was recrystallized from alcohol. It melted at 128°. Hydrobromic, 50% sulfuric acid, and 50% zinc chloride solution were satisfactory as catalysts.¹⁴

Mercaptals have been used extensively for the identification of sugars.^{52, 69, 71, 73b, 82} For example, 1 g. of the aldose, 1 cc. of concentrated hydrochloric acid and 1 cc. of methyl mercaptan are shaken together, cooled to 0°, and 2 cc. of water added.^{95b} Other mercaptans may be used. A single mercaptal gives a double identification since both its melting point and rotation are characteristic and may be compared with those of known sugars.

Sugars, which resist isolation by other means, have been gotten out as mercaptals.^{15, 61}

The rate of the hydrolysis of starch has been measured by determining the amount of mercaptal formation in samples taken at intervals of time.⁸⁴ A starch hydrolyzate has been treated with a mercaptan and the average size of the molecules estimated from the sulfur content. In one experiment at the end of 20.5 hours the average molecule contained only 3 glucose units.^{77, 78} The hydrolysis of cellulose ⁷² and of methyl cellulose was followed similarly.^{72, 85} The hydrolysis of sucrose has been followed with butyl mercaptan.⁵⁹

Optically active amyl mercaptan has been used for resolving racemic aldoses.⁶⁵ The changes of rotation due to mercaptalation have been studied.²

Of all the mercaptans the ethyl has been the one most commonly employed for preparing mercaptals. It has been used with glucose, ^{5, 6, 7, 14, 15, 24, 28, 29, 30b, 38b, 46, 47, 55, 57, 60, 68, 72, 73a, 83, 86, 91, 93, 95b galactose, ^{14, 18, 30b, 39, 40, 66, 67, 68, 70, 73a, 83, 87, 93, 95b arabinose, ^{2, 13, 14, 18, 30b, 70, 94, 95b mannose, ^{14, 17, 28, 42, 49, 53, 60, 70, 75, 95b rhamnose, ^{14, 18, 95b} isorhamnose, ¹⁶ maltose, ^{74, 80} lyxose, ⁷⁶ xylose, ^{11, 80, 83} fucose, ^{65, 81} α-glucoheptose, ¹⁴ 2-methylglucose, ^{30b} tetracetylglucose, ⁹¹ pentaacetylglucose, ^{56, 88, 89} tetrabenzoylglucose, ^{8, 9a, 9b}}}}}

pentabenzoylglucose, ^{9b} α-galaheptose, ¹⁹ 5-ketorhamnose, ⁶⁴ iododiacetone-galactose, ³⁵ tetraacetylfucose, ⁸¹ rhodeose, ⁶⁵ α-mannoheptose, ³⁶ galagalactose, ²⁰ arabomethylose, ⁵², ⁶¹ acetone-arabomethylose, ²⁷ pentaacetylgalactose, ^{10b}, ⁴⁹, ⁸⁸, ⁹² the lactone of 5-ketorhamnose, ⁶⁴ and galactouronic acid. ^{10a}, ¹² The crystal form of glucose diethylmercaptal has been determined. ²⁴ Its conductivity in boric acid solution has been measured in a study of its configuration. ^{32.5}

Methyl mercaptals have been made from glucose,^{56, 57, 95b} galactose,^{95b} arabinose,^{70, 95b} mannose,^{95b} ribose,^{22, 95a} rhamnose,^{95b} lyxose,²² and 5-ketorhamnose and its lactone.⁶⁴

Propyl mercaptan has been used with glucose, ^{33, 50, 56, 57} galactose, ^{33, 50} arabinose, mannose, ³³ ribose, ^{95a} maltose, rhamnose, ³³ and 5-ketorhamnose and its lactone ⁶⁴ and *i*-propyl with glucose, galactose, mannose, arabinose, rhamnose, ^{95b} and ribose. ^{95a, 95b} Mercaptals have been made from butyl mercaptan and glucose, galactose, ^{50, 63} arabinose, mannose, rhamnose, maltose, lactose, ⁶³ and ketorhamnose, ⁶⁴ from *i*-butyl mercaptan and glucose, galactose, arabinose, mannose, rhamnose, ^{62, 95b} maltose, ⁶² and ribose ^{95a, 95b} and from *i*-amyl mercaptan and arabinose ³⁷ and glucose. ¹⁴ p-Amyl and *i*-amyl mercaptans have been used with arabinose, rhodeose, fucose, glucose, and galactose. ⁶⁵ Glucose, galactose, arabinose, mannose, and xylose have been made to react with hexyl mercaptan ^{22,5} and glucose and galactose with heptyl mercaptan. ⁵⁰

Mercaptals have been made from benzyl mercaptan with glucose, ^{22, 25, 30b, 38a, 43, 48} arabinose, ^{1.5, 25, 43} galactose, ^{22, 25, 32, 43, 44a, 45} rhamnose, ^{25, 43} xylose, ^{29, 30b} lyxose, ²² mannose, ^{44b} fucose, ⁵⁴ ribose, ^{22, 95a} and p-gluco-α-L-galactose. ²¹ Cysteine forms mercaptals with glucose, lactose, galactose, arabinose, mannose, and xylose. ⁵⁸ Glucose mercaptals have been made with oleyl ²⁶ and thenyl ²³ mercaptans. Ethylene mercaptan has been used with glucose, galactose, mannose, rhamnose, ²⁵ lyxose, ²² ribose, ^{22, 95a} rhodeose, fucose, ⁶⁵ and arabinose ²⁵ and trimethylenedimercaptan with glucose and arabinose. ²⁵

A glucofuranose reacts with three molecules of mercaptan. The abstraction of two of these by mercuric chloride leaves 2-ethylthioglucose. The lactone of 5-ketorhamnose is converted to 4-ethylmercapto-5-methylfuroic acid. In the absence of a cata-

lyst, tetrabenzoylglucose and ethanethiol give the hemimercaptal.⁸ p-Galacturonic acid gives a mercaptal under the usual conditions.^{10a} If methanol is present there is simultaneous esterification.¹²

Compared with the mercaptals of the aldoses the known mercaptoles of the ketoses are few in number. In general ketones are considerably less reactive than aldehydes. Aldoses, as well as ketoses, are unstable in the presence of strong acids. With some ketoses the destruction by the acid may outrun the reaction with the mercaptans. Some of the products may be too soluble to isolate. Mercaptoles have been prepared from fructose ^{9c, 88d, 88} and from pentaacetylfructose.⁸⁸ A synthesis recently discovered by Wolfrom through the keto-acetates makes possible the preparation of any desired mercaptole.⁹⁰

Reactions

These belong to two classes, those that affect the mercaptal portion and those that have to do with the rest of the molecule. Mercaptalation does not affect the reactivity of the hydroxyl groups of a sugar. Converting a cyclic aldose to the open chain form of a mercaptal provides an additional hydroxyl.

By the usual methods mercaptals may be acetylated, ^{1, 5, 6, 10a, 12, 19, 20, 22, 32, 34, 35, 36, 42, 49, 53, 54, 56, 66, 68, 70, 73b, 76, 79, 80, 81, 83, 91, 94 benzoylated, ^{1, 1.5}, ^{4b, 5, 6, 7, 9c, 29, 30b, 70, 72, 82, 83 tritylated, ^{1, 34, 70, 83, 91} or methylated. ^{11, 30a, 38b, 41, 44b, 54} The acetyl, benzoyl, and trityl groups can be removed by conventional means. The presence of the mercaptal group does not affect the reactivity of a sugar toward acetone ^{1.5, 5, 11, 38a, 38c, 40, 41, 44a, 54, 60} or benzaldehyde. ^{87, 91} Benzaldehyde may replace the mercaptan. Thus 6-benzoyl glucose mercaptal is converted to 6-benzoyldibenzyl-ideneglucose. ^{47, 86}}}

A mercaptal dissolves in aqueous alkali from which it may be precipitated by acid unchanged.⁵⁰ Glucose diethylmercaptal,²⁹ or its benzoyl derivative,^{9a} may be methylated in the 2-position by shaking with silver oxide and methyl iodide. Sodium ethylate may be used instead of the silver oxide.⁴⁷ The mannose mercaptal can be methylated up to the pentamethyl derivative by methyl sulfate.²⁸ The diethyl mercaptal of glucose is converted into the pentacarbanilo derivative by treatment with phenylisocyanate.⁶⁷

Demercaptalation

Earlier in chapter 5 it was shown that the formation of a mercaptal is a reversible reaction:

RCHO + 2 HSR'
$$\rightleftharpoons$$
 RCH(SR')₂ + H₂O

Normally the equilibrium is far to the right. However, if the free mercaptan is eliminated, the equilibrium will be shifted to the left. The equilibrium between alcohols and mercaptans and the corresponding acetals and mercaptals has been mentioned:

$$\mathsf{RCH}(\mathsf{OEt})_2 + 2\,\mathsf{HSEt} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \mathsf{RCH}(\mathsf{SEt})_2 + 2\,\mathsf{HOEt}$$

Aldose mercaptals are hydrolyzed by boiling with dilute acids. ^{14, 50} This is due to the large excess of water and to the volatility of the mercaptan. The elimination of the mercaptan in this way is slow. Demercaptalation goes to completion rapidly if there is something present which reacts rapidly and completely with the mercaptan as it is liberated. Silver nitrate, mercuric chloride and cadmium chloride remove the mercaptan as insoluble mercaptides. ¹⁴ The reaction of mercuric chloride with the mercaptan liberates hydrochloric acid:

Keeping the acidity down favors the formation of the less soluble mercaptide Hg(SR)₂. This may be done by mercuric oxide ^{10b, 11, 38d, 39} or cadmium carbonate.^{1, 13, 19, 20, 34, 68, 70, 75, 79, 81, 89} The cadmium ion is said to act as a catalyst.⁸⁸ Demercaptalation has been shown to take place in the body of a dog.⁴⁸

A mechanism has been worked out that accounts for the various products which are formed when an aldose mercaptal is treated with mercuric chloride, in solution in an alcohol.^{38d} The mercaptan which is eliminated at each step is taken care of by the mercuric chloride. The assumed intermediates, —CH (SEt) Cl and —CH (OMe) Cl, are left out. If an alcohol is present the ethylmercapto group may be replaced by an alkoxyl. The aldose is a poly-alcohol and in the absence, or even in the presence, of an alcohol a reaction may occur which will involve the most suitably placed hydroxyl. An alkoxyl group may be replaced as well as an alkylmercapto. Some of the reactions are represented in the diagram. Just which one will predominate de-

pends on the proportions of the reactants and on the conditions. The desulfurization is limited by the amount of mercuric chloride present.

When an aldose mercaptal is treated with a mixture of acetyl chloride and phosphorus oxychloride one of the alkylmercapto groups is replaced by chlorine. The reaction of an alcohol with this gives the monothioacetal: ⁹²

Acetyl bromide reacts similarly.⁹³ A monothioacetal is represented as the key intermediate in the diagram above. Monothioacetals from the demercaptalation of mercaptals ^{75, 93} and of fructose mercaptole ^{38d, 88} have been reported.

When no alcohol is added one of the hydroxyl groups of the sugar serves instead. This is the replacement of a volatile mercaptan by a non-volatile alcohol. Thus, when glucose mercaptal is boiled with 22% aqueous hydrochloric acid, α-ethylthioglucopyranoside is formed.^{5, 46} A low yield of the same compound may be obtained from glucose with only one equivalent of mercaptan in the presence of hydrochloric acid.⁴⁶ A number of thioglucosides

have been made by the demercaptalation of mercaptals.^{5, 38d, 46, 55, 91} Tetraacetylthio- β -D-mannopyranoside has been made in this way.¹⁷ This reaction has been studied with reference to the Walden inversion.⁵⁷ The rate of hydrolysis of α -ethylthiogluco-furanoside has been measured and a mechanism suggested.⁴⁶

Dimethylacetals have been prepared of mannose,^{42, 48, 53} galactose, ^{10b, 87} 4,5-acetonegalactose,⁴⁵ pentaacetylgalactose,^{10b} and glucose ⁸⁹ by demercaptalating their mercaptals in methanol. The glucose dimethylacetal had been long sought.^{4a} Mannose dimethylacetal ^{42, 58} and a fructose ketole have been made similarly.^{38d}

The mercapto groups of a mercaptal may be replaced by two—OAc by treatment with acetanhydride in the presence of sulfuric acid or of pyridine. Thus heptaacetates of glucose, mannose, and galactose ⁴⁹ and hexaacetates of lyxose, ⁷⁶ arabinose, and xylose have been prepared. ⁴⁹

α-Alkylpyranosides are prepared by boiling sugar mercaptals with alcohols in the presence of mercuric chloride.¹⁸ Glucose, ^{38b} arabinose, galactose, and rhamnose pyranosides have been prepared in this way.⁴³

If, however, this reaction is effected at a low temperature and the hydrochloric acid neutralized as it is liberated, as by yellow mercuric oxide, the products are furanosides.³⁹ This is an important general method for the preparation of furanosides which are otherwise difficult to prepare. Furanosides of glucose,^{18, 46, 93} galactose,¹⁸ mannose,^{42, 44b, 53} rhamnose,¹⁸ arabinose,⁶¹ and even of fructose ^{38d} have been made in this way.

The demercaptalation of mercaptals has been used in preparing a host of sugar derivatives of which only a few examples can be given here. As is well known an aldose exists in either the one or the other of two cyclic forms in equilibrium with a very small amount of the open chain aldehyde. Thus there are normally only four hydroxyls of a hexose that can be acetylated or benzoylated. As mercaptal formation fixes the glucose in the aldehyde form there are five open hydroxyls.

The mercaptal of glyceraldehyde is acetylated and then demercaptalated to give the aldehydo-diacetate, AcOCH₂CH (OAc)-CHO.¹ The diisopropylidene derivative of arabinose mercaptal was converted to the diisopropylidene derivative of aldehydo-arabinose.¹³ The corresponding tetraacetate was obtained simi-

larly.⁷⁹ The same can be said of aldehydo-fucose tetraacetate.⁸¹ Glucose pentaacetate ^{56, 68} and pentabenzoate ^{7, 70} have been prepared through the mercaptal. The pentaacetates of galactose ⁶⁸ and mannose ⁷⁵ have been obtained similarly. The pentamethyl derivatives of mannose and glucose have been made by demercaptalating the methylated mercaptals.²⁸ The acetylated mercaptals were used in the preparation of α-galaheptose ¹⁹ and α-manoheptose ³⁶ hexaacetates. The heptaacetate of p-gala-L-galacctose ²⁰ and the octaacetate of aldehydo-maltose ⁷⁴ have been obtained through the mercaptals. In some cases the carbon chain is broken.^{1.5, 88.5}

Desoxy compounds are obtained from the mercaptals of glucose, galactose, and fructose by treatment with Raney nickel.^{4b, 73a} It has been proposed to reduce the undesirable odor of hydrocarbon distillates by treating them with glucose and acid to form mercaptals.³ Acetylated mercaptals are oxidised to the disulfones by a peracid. This may be used for the degradation of a sugar.³¹

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Disulfides and Polysulfides

Disulfides

RS-SR

ArS·SR

ArS-SAr

Alkyl disulfides correspond to alkyl peroxides, RO·OR. The formulae of the two classes look alike but here the similarity ends. The disulfides are easily prepared and perfectly stable while the peroxides are unstable, some of them dangerously explosive.

OCCURRENCE

The most remarkable occurrence of a disulfide, so far reported, is methyl disulfide in cavities in quartz of the paleozoic period. The Methyl disulfide and isopropyl disulfide are in the odor from eucalyptus. Methyl disulfide is present in the gases from sulfite pulp digesters. The Hallyl disulfide 10, 133, 134, 728, 774, 838 and allyl propyl disulfide 466b, 466c, 728 are found in oil of garlic and allyl s-butyl disulfide in asafetida. Allicin appears to be the monosulfoxide of allyl disulfide, H₂C:CHCH₂SO·SCH₂-CH:CH₂. This is a thioester of a sulfinic acid. With cysteine it gives the disulfide H₂C:CHCH₂SSCH₂CH(NH₂)CO₂H. A butyl disulfide is present in the secretion of the skunk. A butyl disulfide is present in the secretion of the skunk. A butyl disulfide is present in the secretion of the skunk. A butyl disulfide is present in the secretion of the skunk. A butyl disulfide is present in the secretion of the skunk. A butyl disulfide is present in the secretion of the skunk. A butyl disulfide is present in the secretion of the skunk. A butyl disulfide. A butyl disulfide. A butyl disulfide. A butyl disulfide. A butyl disulfide.

Cystine, (·SCH₂CHNH₂CO₂H)₂, so important in proteins is a disulfide acid, and so is the recently discovered α-lipoic acid. A number of hormones and enzymes have been shown to have, or are suspected of having, disulfide linkages. Oxytosin, glutelin, pantothenic acid, and insulin may be mentioned.

Disulfides are found in crude benzene ⁵⁸¹ and in petroleum distillates ^{204, 420, 860} but they are supposed to have been formed by the oxidation of mercaptans.²³⁴

HISTORY

The history of disulfides is coextensive with that of mercaptans and monosulfides. It was natural for Zeise, and those who followed him, after they had obtained mercaptans by heating potassium hydrosulfide with alkyl sulfates, to try their luck with potassium disulfide and with "liver of sulfur," a polysulfide. They got alkyl disulfides and polysulfides, which broke down into disulfides and sulfur on distillation. Some disulfides were made from the mercaptans by oxidation. In 1834 Zeise distilled ethyl disulfide out of a mixture of potassium ethyl sulfate and barium disulfide. Morin in 1839,551 Cahours in 1846,128 and Muspratt in 1851 566 got the same product though they used metal pentand tri-sulfides. Cahours prepared methyl disulfide also.128 i-Amyl disulfide was made similarly from potassium disulfide by Henry in 1840 362 and by Danson in 1851.178

FORMATION

Oxidation of Mercaptans

The neatest way to get a pure alkyl or aryl disulfide is by the oxidation of the corresponding mercaptan. This has been discussed in chapter 2, Volume I, on mercaptan reactions so is only mentioned here.

Pentachlorothiophenol is converted to the disulfide by phosphorus pentachloride.^{788.5}

From Metal Disulfides

Since an alkyl halide and sodium sulfide give the alkyl sulfide it is natural to expect an alkyl disulfide from sodium disulfide:

In fact, alkyl disulfides are obtained by this reaction in fair yields. The catch is that sodium disulfide is a statistical compound, that is, it is a mixture of Na₂S, Na₂S₂, Na₂S₄, and possibly Na₂S₅ and Na₂S₆. In a recorded experiment, ethyl bromide and potassium disulfide gave a mixture of ethyl sulfide, disulfide, trisulfide, and higher polysulfides.^{380b} With the lower alkyl disulfides this is not serious since they can be separated from the mono- and poly-sulfides by fractionation. The wide differences in the boiling points make this easy. The polysulfides are left in the residue. The boiling points for several pairs are given in Table 1.7.

Table 1.7

Boiling Points of Some Sulfides and Disulfides

	Methyl	Ethyl	Propyl	Butyl
Sulfide	37.3°	92.2°	142°	182°
Disulfide	109.75°	152°	193°	230°
Difference	72.4°	60°	51°	48°

As was mentioned above, sodium or potassium alkyl sulfates were the alkylating agents in early times. They are still employed occasionally. 179, 194, 433 They have the advantage that they are soluble in water which is the best solvent for sodium disulfide. Alkyl halides have largely supplanted them. 85a, 222, 276, 536, 548, 582, 605, 649, 739, 748, 800 They are commonly used with alcohol, or dilute alcohol, solutions of sodium disulfide but may be used with an aqueous solution.851 Disulfides in the sugar group have been made from the corresponding bromides.856, 857 A halogen attached to an aromatic ring must be activated, as by a properly placed nitro group. 85f, 92a, 95c, 218, 270, 273, 279, 372, 374, 375, 416, 521, 547, 627b, 672, 790 Chlorobenzene does react with calcium sulfide at 300° but the product is a mixture.⁵⁰¹ Aromatic disulfides can be prepared from diazonium chlorides and metal disulfides.^{39, 318,} 677 Sometimes a disulfide is obtained instead of an expected mercaptan.61, 128 This may be due to fortuitous oxidation. Chloromethyl ether, MeOCH2Cl, which is sensitive to water or alcohol, has been made to react with solid potassium disulfide. 462 There are several ways to obtain alkyl disulfides from alkyl thiosulfates. 83, 274, 455, 626, 635, 757, 782, 805, 812b, 815, 841 Alkaline hydrolysis is one of these. The same treatment converts alkyl or aryl thiocyanates to disulfides. 296b, 379

From the Action of Sulfur on Organic Compounds

Disulfides are formed when various organic compounds are heated with sulfur. The results are seldom clean cut. Monosulfides, trisulfides, and other products are commonly formed, the proportions of these depending on the nature of the starting compounds and on the conditions of heating. Disulfides have been obtained from phenols, 337, 470a naphthols, 593 aniline, 470a saturated 533, 798 and unsaturated 13, 18, 19, 574, 727b, 827, 837 hydrocarbons, benzene,312 squalene,87 and tin tetraphenyl 100 by heating them with sulfur. Trifluoromethyl 108, 350.5 and perfluoropropyl 353 iodides, when heated with sulfur, give mixtures of disulfides and trisulfides while iodine is given off. Certain aldehydes and ketones give good vields of disulfides when heated with hydrogen sulfide. 129 When a mixture of 1-methylcyclohexene and sulfur, with some acetone, is irradiated a disulfide is among the products.⁵⁷⁵ An unsaturated disulfide is formed from amylene and sulfur under certain conditions. 118 Ammonium sulfide converts cyclohexanone into cyclohexyl disulfide 864 and acetophenone into a-methylbenzyl disulfide.⁵¹ Diphenylmethyl disulfide can be obtained from benzophenone in several ways.^{1, 760a} A 70% yield of this disulfide is formed when diphenylmethylene chloride, Ph₂CCl₂, is treated with sodium hydrosulfide. 761

From the Action of Sulfur Chlorides on Organic Compounds

Acetylacetone,^{11, 507, 507,5}, ⁸¹⁶ isobutyraldehyde,⁵⁸⁰ thiophene,⁴⁴² acetoacetanilides,^{438,5, 568,2} malonamides,^{568, 568,4} cyanoacetamides ^{568,6} and aromatic hydrocarbons ^{428,5, 738c} give disulfides when they are treated with sulfur monochloride. This acts as a chlorinating as well as a sulfurizing agent with trithioformaldehyde producing (ClCH₂)₂S₂.¹⁸⁰ Phenols, naphthols,^{6, 303, 360} and dimethylaniline ⁴⁶⁷ are converted to mixtures of disulfides and polysulfides as is described in chapter 1, Volume II. Some disulfide is formed along with the monosulfide and polysulfides, by the reaction of sulfur chloride with ethylene, ^{429, 611} perfluoroethylene, ⁶³⁷ amylene, ⁶¹⁵ and other unsaturates. ⁵³³ The addition

of o-nitrophenyl dithiochloride, o-O₂NC₆H₄SSCl, to an unsaturate gives a disulfide.³⁴⁷

Miscellaneous Methods

A Grignard reagent is converted by an excess of sulfur,^{389, 787a, 858c, 859} by sulfur monochloride,^{778b} or by sulfur dichloride ²³⁵ to a disulfide.

An alkyl ⁹⁰ or aryl ⁴⁵¹ sulfide may be sulfurized to a disulfide but this is a slow reaction even at 180°. ⁹⁰. ⁴⁵¹ p-Nitrophenyl sulfide, in which the para nitro group has a labilizing influence, is readily sulfurized. ²⁸⁴

Disulfides may be formed in the course of the reduction of sulfonyl chlorides 50, 143, 157, 215, 243, 252, 303, 577, 696a, 767 or bromides.434 A 57% yield of the disulfide has been obtained by treating benzenesulfonic anhydride with hydrogen bromide 244.5 but the same treatment converted methanesulfonic anhydride to the sulfonyl bromide. 245.5 Sodium m-nitro-p-toluenesulfonate has been reduced electrolytically to the aminotolyl disulfide.²⁴⁰ When a sodium arvl sulfonate is treated with phosphorus tribomide more or less of the aryl disulfide is formed. This may be the major product. 394, 443 Sulfinic acids may be reduced to disulfides.^{267, 268} Disulfides appear to be intermediates in the lithium aluminum hydride reduction of aryl sulfenylchlorides, sulfinic acids, and the like to mercaptans.777 Under proper conditions the disulfides can be isolated.²⁴⁵ Disulfides may be obtained by hydrolyzing thiosulfonic esters, RSO₂·SR',309, 598a, 598b, 608 or by treating them with phosphorus trichloride. 438 When a sodium sulfinate, C₆H₁₁SO₂Na or C₅H₉SO₂Na, is refluxed with t-butyl bromide, the disulfide is formed. The hydrobromic acid, which is split off, sets free the sulfinic acid which disproportionates.812a Mercury converts a sulfenyl chloride to a disulfide: 113.3, 114.5

2 CICH₂SCI + Hg → CICH₂S·SCH₂CI + HgCl₂

An unexpected by-product of the alkylation of an aryl mercaptan by an alkyl sulfate, in the absence of alkali, is the disulfide.⁶³ A half-way product, [o-(EtO)₂CHCH₂SC₆H₄S]₂, is formed from o-dimercaptobenzene.⁶⁰²

The chlorination products of propylene ⁷⁶⁹ and trimethylene ⁷⁶⁸ sulfides are, respectively, (ClCH₂CHMe)₂S₂ and (ClCH₂CH₂-CH₂)₂S₂.

2-Thienyl disulfide is a by-product in the preparation of thiophene from succinic acid and phosphorus pentasulfide.⁵³⁴

Disulfides are among the products when certain organic compounds are subjected to hydrogen sulfide under 8500 atmospheres pressure at 125–150°. 130

Many of these are not presented as preparation methods but as examples of the various ways in which disulfides can be formed.

Unsymmetrical Disulfides

Treating a mixture of two mercaptans with bromine gives a mixture of three disulfides, one of which is unsymmetrical.^{598c} Any other oxidising agent does the same.⁵⁰⁰ These disulfides may be separated by fractionation.

An unsymmetrical disulfide may be obtained from two symmetrical by redistribution:

As this reaction is reversible the product will be an equilibrium mixture. This is catalyzed by a trace of mercaptan which is almost sure to be present. The reduction of disulfides by mercaptans is discussed later. Methyl ethyl disulfide disproportionates: ⁷⁹

2 MeSSEt → MeSSMe + EtSSEt

Naturally the reaction will go to completion if one of the products is removed. Redistribution in the presence of sodium hydrosulfide or of a sodium mercaptide will be taken up later. The interchange of cystine with penicillamine disulfide,^{786.5} with 2,4-dinitrophenyl cystine,^{690.7} and with dithiodiglycolic acid ⁶⁸⁵ has been studied. The changes in gelation times of proteins under various treatments has been attributed to the breaking and reformation of the cystine disulfide bonds.^{261.5, 338.5, 388.4, 388.6, 393.5} The reduction in viscosity of thioelastomers when treated with alkyl disulfides is evidence of redistribution.^{70.5}

The reaction of a mercaptide with a Bunte salt gives a mixed disulfide: ²⁵⁰

$$RS \cdot SO_3Na + R'SNa \rightarrow RS \cdot SR' + Na_2SO_3$$

The neat way to get a pure unsymmetrical disulfide is by the reaction of a sulfenyl halide on a mercaptide: 113.7, 114.5, 196, 200, 400, 401, 466b, 466d, 469, 508, 660, 826b

$$RSCI + NaSR' \rightarrow RS*SR' + NaCi$$

A sulfide-selenide may be made similarly: 662a

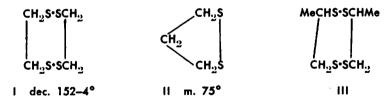
With pyridine as a catalyst a thiocyanate or a selenocyanate, reacts as a halide: 569b

PhSCN
$$+$$
 PhSH \rightarrow PhSSPh $+$ HCN
PhSeCN $+$ PhSH \rightarrow PhSeSPh $+$ HCN
PhSeCN $+$ PhSeH \rightarrow PhSeSePh $+$ HCN

An aryl dithiochloride reacts with a ketone, a phenol,³⁴⁷ or a dialkylaniline: ⁴⁶⁸

Polymeric Disulfides

By treating ethylene ²³⁰ and trimethylene ²³ dimercaptans with bromine, solids were obtained to which were assigned the structures I and II. Compound I was gotten in a roundabout way. ^{598e}



Trimethylene and propylene thiocyantes treated with alkali, gave II and III.³³⁶ Compounds of the same composition as I were made in two other ways, one by the oxidation of ethylene dimercaptan ²³⁰ and the other by the reaction of ethylene bromide and sodium disulfide.^{85b} This one melted at 113° and was considered to be different. All of them gave the same product on oxidation by nitric acid. These observations were made before the relationships of monomeric rings and linear polymers were understood. The fact that these compounds are solids should have aroused suspicion. They are closely related to polymers that

will be taken up in the chapter under thioelastomers. Cyclic monomeric disulfides are known and have been taken up in chapter 1. The trithiones have the three carbon two sulfur ring II.

REACTIONS OF DISULFIDES

Reference should be made to the reviews on this subject. 700c, 792

Decomposition

The sulfur-sulfur bond in a disulfide is very labile. It has been maintained that diphenyl disulfide dissociates into free radicals after the manner of hexaphenylethane: 466a, 466c, 709, 711

PhS•SPh ⇒ 2 PhS—

Aryl disulfides are decomposed by ultraviolet light but the quantum yield is small.⁴⁹⁹ Redistribution between two disulfides takes place under the influence of ultraviolet light: ^{436a}

$RS \cdot SR + R'S \cdot SR' \rightleftharpoons 2RS \cdot SR'$

This is assumed to be evidence of dissociation. Organic peroxides. which are believed to generate free radicals, also favor redistribution. 436b The fact that a disulfide brings about the polymerization of acrylonitrile under irradiation by ultraviolet light has been considered as proof of dissociation. Diphenyl disulfide is more efficient than aliphatic disulfides in this.⁷⁹ This disulfide promotes the addition of a mercaptan to an unsaturate under the same influence. 688 This is additional evidence of dissociation. A substituted phenyl disulfide has been found to promote addition and polymerization. 428.5 Diphenyl disulfide and some of its substitution products are almost colorless in the crystalline form at room temperature but become colored when heated, either alone or in solution. The color deepens as the temperature rises. 466a, 466c, Substituted dinaphthyl disulfides show thermochromic changes.⁵⁶⁷ The existence of long-life radicals has been questioned.466f None of the expected mixed disulfide was found in a solution of two disulfides that had been heated. 466c In more recent experiments unsymmetrical substituted phenyl disulfides disproportionated to the symmetrical when heated to 175°, or when boiled in dioxane, or when exposed to ultraviolet light. In a study of the influence of substituents on dissociation of twentyfour phenyl disulfides, the groups arranged themselves in the

order, $AcNH > Cl > NO_2 > H > Me.^{464}$ The reaction of mercury with phenyl disulfide has been examined from both sides to determine the strength of the -S-S- bond: 466f

$$(PhS)_2Hg \Rightarrow Ph_2S_2 + Hg$$

The benzene solution of triphenyl methyl disulfide is yellow and takes up oxygen. The dissociation appears to be: 86

$$Ph_3CSSCPh_3 \Rightarrow Ph_3C- + Ph_3CSS-$$

Diphenyl disulfide reacts readily with triphenylmethyl and with diphenyldiazomethane: 711, 712

Aliphatic disulfides are not very stable to heat. Dipropyl disulfide is about the highest that can be distilled at atmospheric pressure. The pyrolysis of an aliphatic disulfide gives a mixture which usually contains some of the mercaptan, some of the monosulfide, and some hydrogen sulfide. ²²⁵ Dienes may be formed. ⁷³⁵ The primary products of the pyrolysis of methyl disulfide appear to be methyl mercaptan and thioformaldehyde. ^{169,5} When cyclopentyl disulfide is passed over aluminum silicate at 300°, it breaks up into cyclopentyl mercaptan, cyclopentene, and other products. ^{804b} At 280° bornyl disulfide is transformed into thiocamphor. ³⁴¹ Glycerol is said to prevent the formation of mercaptans in the distillation of hydrocarbons containing disulfides. ²⁵

Aromatic disulfides are considerably more stable. On distillation aryl disulfides are decomposed, one of the products being the corresponding mercaptan. At 270–300°, diphenyl disulfide gives the monosulfide, $^{317, 367d}$ dibenzothiophene, 317 thiophenol, and thianthrene. At 400° p-tolyl disulfide gives some toluene and some p-cresyl mercaptan. The primary decomposition products of dibenzyl disulfide appear to be stilbene, hydrogen sulfide, and sulfur: 272

$${\tt PhCH}_2{\tt SSCH}_2{\tt Ph} \qquad \rightarrow \qquad {\tt PhCH}:{\tt CHPh} \qquad + \qquad {\tt H}_2{\tt S} \qquad + \qquad {\tt S}$$

Diphenyl- and tetraphenyl-thiophene and other products are probably secondary.²⁷² α-Phenylethyl disulfide, (PhCHMeS·)₂, decomposes similarly two diphenylthiophenes being among the products.⁵¹ Dibenzhydryl disulfide, (Ph₂CHS·)₂, gives diphenyl-

methane and tetraphenylstilbene.^{858a} Triphenylmethyl disulfide goes to pieces readily, as might be expected.^{86, 826a, 826b} When bis-(p-hydroxyphenyl) disulfide is heated with sodium carbonate in glycerol to 190°, only one sulfur atom is lost.^{470a} Several disulfides, heated with betaine, were transformed into methyl alkyl, or aryl, sulfides.¹⁴⁷ Heated with sulfur, benzyl disulfide gives 5-phenylbenzothiophene and tetraphenylthiophene.³⁸⁸ The addition of sulfur to disulfides will be taken up later.

Diphenyl disulfide is decomposed by aluminum chloride into the monosulfide and other products. Thianthrene may be formed. Copper abstracts one of the sulfur atoms from o,o'-phenylene disulfide, leaving dibenzothiophene. In general the desulfurization of polysulfides by metals stops at the disulfide stage but where the sulfur-carbon bond is weak as in the S_x(CH₂-CO₂H)₂ group it may go on to the monosulfide. Half of the sulfur is taken out of the allyl disulfide by lead amalgam, or by zinc, but not out of methyl or ethyl disulfides.

Raney nickel, without hydrogen, removes half of the sulfur from aryl disulfides,^{351, 352} while ordinary Raney nickel converts p-tolyl disulfide to toluene.⁵⁵⁹ It removes all of the sulfur from dithiodiacetic acid.¹⁰² Raney nickel takes all of the selenium out of aromatic diselenides.⁸⁴⁹ All of the sulfur is taken out of a disulfide by catalytic hydrogenation over nickel ³⁸ or other metal catalyst.³⁸⁴

There is a curious reaction between phenyl disulfide and diphenyl sulfone, when a mixture of the two is heated.⁴⁵¹

$$Ph_2S_2 + Ph_2SO_2 \rightarrow 2Ph_2S + SO_2$$

Concentrated sulfuric acid converts phenyl disulfide to thianthrene.²⁶⁹

Unsymmetrical aryl disulfides react with 2,4-dinitrophenyl chloride to form 2,4-dinitrophenyl aryl disulfides. Methyl disulfide and methyl iodide give trimethyl sulfonium iodide, which involves breaking the sulfur-sulfur bond. Mercuric iodide is a catalyst for this reaction. Ethyl disulfide reacts similarly but more slowly. In one recorded experiment the union was not complete in three years at room temperatures. It is not surprising that it has been missed. Diphenyl disulfide reacts in this way but very slowly. Allyl disulfide

reacts more promptly with methyl iodide. The fact that methyl iodide removes sulfur as Me₃SI from vulcanized rubber has been considered as evidence of the presence of the disulfide linkage.⁷²⁶ Penzyl iodide combines with benzyl disulfide and mercuric iodide to give (PhCH₂)₃SI·HgI. With ethyl disulfide a mixed sulfonium salt is formed.³³² These reactions involve the breaking of a sulfur-carbon bond.

Benzyl disulfide and chloramine-B give the compound, PhCH₂S(NHSO₂Ph):NSO₂Ph.⁷⁹¹ Cyclohexyl disulfide reacts similarly.^{835b} Yellow phosphorus combines with a disulfide to form a trialkyl trithiophosphite, (RS)₃P.⁷⁶⁵ Triphenylphosphine abstracts a part of the sulfur to make triphenylphosphine sulfide, Ph₃PS.⁷⁰⁷

An extensive study has been made by Challenger and coworkers of the transformation of alkyl disulfides and other sulfur compounds by microorganisms.^{138a, 139, 141a, 142} This has been reviewed.^{138b}

Reduction

One of the most important facts about disulfides is the ease and completeness with which they can be reduced to mercaptans. The ease and completeness of the oxidation of mercaptans to disulfides is equally important. A mixture of a disulfide and a mercaptan may be considered an oxidation-reduction buffer, somewhat analogous to the well known acid-base buffers. When both are present a limited amount of oxidation, or of reduction, does not change the oxidation potential. The cystine-cysteine system may be involved in maintaining the oxidation-reduction balance in living organisms. This can be only glimpsed here.

Dithiodiglycolic acid serves as a catalyst in anaerobic oxidations.³⁴⁸

Propyl disulfide and decyl mercaptan reach an equilibrium state in 62 hours at 139° in a sealed tube. 316 As will be shown later, the equilibrium is established quickly in the presence of a mercaptide.

The reduction of disulfides to mercaptans has been considered in chapter 1, Volume I, as a method of preparing mercaptans. A few examples will be given here that involve sulfur compounds. Disulfides are reduced to mercaptans by sodium hydrosulfide, ¹⁰⁴, ²¹⁶, ³⁵⁸, ⁵¹⁵, ⁶⁰⁵ sulfide, ¹⁰⁴, ⁴⁹⁴, ^{598b} disulfide, ¹⁰⁴, ⁴⁹⁴, ^{623a} or polysul-

fide. 358, 494 An equation may be written which tells a part of the truth:

$$R_2S_2 + Na_2S + Na_2S_2 \Rightarrow 2RSNa + Na_2S_3$$

This is an equilibrium. Higher alkali polysulfides may convert mercaptans to disulfides 380b and even add sulfur to the alkyl disulfides. The reversible electrolytic reduction of a disulfide has been written: 784.5

RS·SR
$$+$$
 2 \bullet $+$ 2 H⁺ \rightleftharpoons 2 RSH

The reduction by sodium sulfide may be written: 104

4 RS·SR
$$+$$
 2 Na $_2$ S $+$ 6 NaOH \rightarrow 8 RSNa $+$ Na $_2$ S $_2$ O $_3$ $+$ 3 H $_2$ O

A disulfide reacts with a sodium mercaptide: 466d

RS·SR + R'SK
$$\rightleftharpoons$$
 RS·SR' + RSK
RS·SR' + R'SK \rightleftharpoons R'S·SR' + RSK

The reduction by t-butyl mercaptan is slow.⁷⁹ The redistribution of alkyl disulfides may be effected by catalytic amounts of a mercaptide: 630a , 742

RS·SR + BuSNa
$$\rightleftharpoons$$
 RS·SBu + RSNa
R'S·SR' + RSNa \rightleftharpoons R'S·SR + R'SNa
RS·SBu + R'SNa \rightleftharpoons RS·SR' + BuSNa

There is always some of a sodium mercaptide to carry on the reaction until equilibrium is reached. An alkali sulfide may serve the same purpose. The necessary sodium mercaptide may result from the action of sodium hydroxide and thiosulfate on the disulfides. 401, 436b

Mercaptans and disulfides, in a solution, come to equilibrium with the formation of all possible disulfides and mercaptans. The removal of a volatile mercaptan causes a readjustment.^{12, 231} The exchange between mercaptans and disulfides has been studied by the use of S⁵⁵.^{231, 328.5} There seems to be a reversible equilibrium between cystine plus thiourea and cysteine plus S(guanylthio)-cysteine.^{809.5}

In the presence of water, triphenyl phosphine reduces diphenyl disulfide to the mercaptan. Disulfides can be reduced by the dropping mercury electrode 833.5 or polarographically. They may be reduced to the mercaptans by glucose, 97.5, 153, 468 sodium arsenite, 331 lithium aluminum hydride, 21, 245 or by hydrogenation

over molybdenum sulfide.⁵⁴⁵ Cystine may be reduced by sodium bisulfite.^{7.5, 530.5} Keratins may be modified by reducing the cystine linkages and bringing about reactions of the free mercapto groups.^{7.5, 313.3, 334, 335, 347.5, 347.7, 605.5} Alkylation by a monoalkyl halide increases the extensibility but decreases the strength, with a dihalide it gives a product more like the original wool but less sensitive to alkali.^{605.5} The reduction of cystine linkages, the basis of hair waving, has been considered in chapter 5, Volume I.

At 250° i-amyl ⁶⁷⁸ and phenyl ^{446.5, 569a} disulfides remove hydrogen from tetralin and are thereby reduced to the mercaptans. Isobornylaniline and amyl disulfide give amyl mercaptan and camphoranil. ⁶⁸⁷

When sodium is placed in an ether solution of an alkyl disulfide, the mercaptide is formed: 555

RSSR
$$+$$
 2 Na \rightarrow 2 RSNa

When sodium is added to a boiling alcoholic solution of benzyl disulfide the mercaptide is only one of several products.²⁷⁵

Oxidation

The oxidation of a mercaptan to the sulfonic acid has been mentioned in chapter 2, Volume I. In this the disulfide may be considered an intermediate which may, or may not, be isolated. Nitric acid, particularly when hot, oxidises disulfides to sulfonic acids.^{66, 85a, 128, 178, 227, 362, 445, 566, 597c, 612, 694, 825} The cold acid may give the "disulfoxide," RSO₂SR.^{608, 694, 853} This is obtained also by oxidation with sulfuric acid.⁶⁷ Electrolytic oxidation gives the sulfonic acid.^{120, 244} Chromate and permanganate give this and sometimes the disulfone, RSO₂·SO₂R.¹⁶⁸

Oxidation by hydrogen peroxide may go to the sulfenic acid ^{700a}. ^{700c} or may stop at RSO₂SR,^{27, 112, 150, 367b, 699, 835b} or the sulfinic acid, RSO₂H.⁵¹⁴ Perbenzoic acid gives lower oxidation products, RSO·SR ^{112, 136, 401} or RSO₂SR.²⁷ Whether the oxidation product of an unsymmetrical aryl disulfide by a peracid is ArSO₂SAr' or ArSSO₂Ar' depends on the substituents on the aryls.⁴⁶⁴ The oxidation product from phenyl disulfide is said to have antibacterial activity.⁶⁴⁰ The rates of oxidation of several disulfides by benzoyl peroxide have been measured.³⁸⁷ The cystine groups

in keratins may be oxidised by aliphatic 7.5, 7.7, 8, 8.3, 8.5, 608.5, 842.5 and inorganic 206.5 peracids.

Gaseous oxygen, containing a catalytic amount of nitrogen oxides, takes a disulfide to a mixture of the sulfonic acid and the disulfone. 629a, 632, 758 Selenium dioxide oxidises disulfides to sulfoxides and sulfones. 528

Chlorine reacts with alkyl and aryl disulfides in various ways, according to conditions. The first product appears to be the sulfenyl chloride, RSCl or ArSCl, as has been discussed in chapter 3, Volume I. Under special conditions the sulfenyl chloride, MeSCl, can be obtained from methyl disulfide. In sunlight the methyl groups are chlorinated to Cl₃CS·SCCl₃. In cold water the usual product is the sulfone chloride, RSO₂Cl. In disulfide may be oxidised to the sulfone chloride by chlorine in dry air containing nitric oxide. It has been proposed to remove alkyl disulfides from gasoline by chlorination to the sulfenyl chlorides which are then taken out by a hot caustic wash. At -20° sulfuryl chloride converts methyl and ethyl disulfides to ClCH₂SCl 113.5 and MeCHCl·SCl. 113.3

Bromine appears to form an addition product, RSBr₂·SBr₂R which is hydrolyzed to the "disulfoxide," RSO₂SR.^{271b} The oxidation by hypobromous acid has been studied.^{862, 863} A bromide-bromate mixture may take a disulfide to the sulfone bromide, RSO₂Br.⁷³⁷ If aluminum chloride is present, phenyl disulfide may be brominated to (Br₃C₆H₂S)₂.^{787c} p-Thiocresol may give the 3,3'-dibromo compound.⁸⁷²

Hydrolysis

Disulfides are split by alkali. It is commonly stated that the first reaction is hydrolysis: 206, 703.5

$$\text{RS+SR} \hspace{0.1cm} + \hspace{0.1cm} 2 \hspace{0.1cm} \text{NaOH} \hspace{0.3cm} \rightarrow \hspace{0.3cm} \text{RSNa} \hspace{0.1cm} + \hspace{0.1cm} \text{RSONa} \hspace{0.1cm} + \hspace{0.1cm} \text{H}_2\text{O}$$

Benzyl dinitrophenyl sulfide was obtained when benzyl chloride was added to an alcoholic potash solution of 2,4-dinitrophenyl disulfide.²⁷³ RSONa is the sodium salt of a sulfenic acid. Sulfenic acid and its salts are unstable and disproportionation takes place: ^{271a, 598d, 696b}

This may go further:

3 RSONa
$$\rightarrow$$
 RSO₃Na $+$ 2 RSNa

The over-all hydrolysis may be written:

2 RSSR
$$+$$
 2 H₂O \rightarrow 3 RSH $+$ RSO₂H 3 RSSR $+$ 3 H₂O \rightarrow 5 RSH $+$ RSO₃H

Other oxygenated products may be formed. Thus benzoic acid is found among the products of the hydrolysis of benzyl disulfide. 627c

The tetramethyl derivative of dithiodiglycolic acid, (•SCMe₂-COOH)₂, is stable to alkali but the tetraphenyl, (•SCPh₂COOH)₂, is not.^{701d} From cystine half of the sulfur is taken out as hydrogen sulfide.^{280, 717}

An entirely different mechanism for the splitting of disulfides by alkali has been proposed recently. 684.5, 685 This is based on the fact that some disulfides, such as t-butyl, are not affected by alkali. Cleavage seems to depend on the presence of a hydrogen atom on a carbon linked to the sulfur. It has been found that the ultraviolet absorption of disulfides, which have this hydrogen, shift with rise in pH while this is not the case where this hydrogen is lacking. It is assumed that the dissociation of this hydrogen in the presence of alkali leaves a carbanion from which the charge shifts to the adjacent sulfur atom which assumes a higher valence. The new anion breaks down into a thioaldehyde, or thioketone, and a mercaptan.

Other Reactions

A Grignard reagent reacts with an alkyl disulfide:

EtS·SR
$$+$$
 RMgBr \rightarrow EtSR $+$ RSMgr

The final products are the mixed sulfide and the mercaptan.⁴⁶², 858b, 858c Phenyl lithium reacts similarly: ⁷¹³, ⁷⁶⁴

EtS·SEt
$$+$$
 PhLi \rightarrow EtSPh $+$ EtSLi

Phenyl magnesium bromide and a disulfide give the mixed sulfide and biphenyl.¹²⁵ The mixed sulfide MeSCH₂CO₂Et and free iodine are the products from methyl disulfide and iodoacetic ester.⁴⁷⁵ The disodium derivative of s-tetraphenylethane and ethyl disulfide give tetraphenylethylene and sodium mercaptide: ⁷¹³

EtS·SEt +
$$(Ph_2CNa)_2$$
 \rightarrow $Ph_2C:CPh_2$ + 2 EtSNa

Butyl lithium and diphenyl disulfide give the 4,4'-dilithium derivative and butane: 310

PhS·SPh + 2 Buli
$$\rightarrow$$
 LiC₆H₄S·SC₆H₄Li + 2 BuH

The addition of disulfides to unsaturates is a general reaction which should be exploited further.⁵⁰² Ethylene and ethyl disulfide, dissolved in anhydrous hydrofluoric acid, unite: ⁵⁰²

EtS*SEt
$$+$$
 CH₂:CH₂ \rightarrow EtSCH₂CH₂SEt

An alkyl disulfide and an olefin combine when heated together in the presence of a sulfactive hydrogenation catalyst. Thus butyl disulfide and ethylene give BuSCH₂CH₂SBu.^{738b} Iodine is a catalyst for the addition of methyl disulfide to tetrafluoroethylene. The products are MeS(CF₂CF₂)_nSMe. A solid in which n = 10, m. 113–6°, has been isolated.³³⁹ The addition of methyl disulfide to dodecene-1 is catalyzed by ethanesulfonic acid.^{629c} Styrene takes up alkyl disulfides.^{381b} Phenyl disulfide combines with maleic acid.^{630b} Tung oil takes up allyl disulfide.⁴⁵⁴ p-Tolyl disulfide and acetylene form 5-methylthianaphthene.^{690.5}

Alkyl disulfides are taken out of gasoline by adsorption on silica gel ³⁴² or bauxite. ³⁵⁵ They form adducts with urea. ²³⁸

In the Willgerodt reaction a disulfide is converted to a thioamide.⁵⁰⁶ This will be taken up in Volume IV under thioacids.

Disulfides form complexes with salts of platinum, ^{152, 646, 647, 648} mercury, ^{80, 83, 146, 175, 645, 728} gold, ^{644, 728} silver, ⁷⁴⁹ and iridium. ⁶⁴⁵ Methyl disulfide forms a complex with diborane. ^{123,5} 2,4-Dihydroxydiphenyl disulfide forms complexes with salts of heavy metals. ^{470a, 714} Copper naphthenate, added to a naphtha containing disulfides, forms complexes which are left in the still bottoms. It removes disulfides from hydrocarbon gases. ³⁸⁵

Mono- and di-sulfides of phenol 470a and of resorcinol 470b are mercurated by mercuric chloride. Some of the products are: $[HO(HOHg)C_6H_3]_2S_2$, $[HO(HOHg)_2C_6H_2]_2S_2$, $[(HO)_2(HO-Hg)C_6H_2]_2S_2$, and $[(HO)_2(HOHg)_2C_6H]_2S_2$.

o-Hydroxyphenyl disulfide loses a molecule of water readily, passing into the disulfide of phenyl ether, $O(C_6H_4)_2S_2$.³²⁵

ESTIMATION OF DISULFIDES

The methods of detecting and determining disulfides have been reviewed. 155, 416.5

The customary method of estimation is to reduce them to mercaptans, which are then determined by appropriate methods.^{36, 62, 119, 293, 345, 390.5, 444, 473, 570, 724, 861} The reduction is conveniently effected by zinc in acid solution. Mercaptans, if present, may be estimated beforehand and their amount subtracted. It has been proposed to get rid of the mercaptans by combining them with acrylonitrile before the reduction of the disulfides.²⁰⁷ At a proper pH a disulfide may be reduced by thiosulfate or cyanide.^{700c, 704}

Polarographic estimation of disulfides has been recommended.¹⁶⁷ The reduction potential of diphenyl disulfide is -0.5 volt, while that of aliphatic disulfides is -1.25 volt.²⁹⁹

A disulfide may be passed over alumina at 650° and the hydrogen sulfide determined. Or it may be burnt over a platinum catalyst at 900° and finally weighed as barium sulfate. In the known absence of other sulfur compounds the lamp method is satisfactory.

Grote's reagent may be used for detecting alkyl disulfide.³²¹ At pH 10 this gives a purple-red color.⁷⁵³ This can be adapted to chromatographic estimation.⁸⁰⁶ Phosphotungstic acid is used in the estimation of cystine.^{416.6}

An instrument has been constructed for the continuous, automatic titration of disulfides and other sulfur compounds in a gas stream.²²

PHYSIOLOGICAL

The injection of propyl disulfide causes anemia.^{324, 847} Methyl disulfide induces paralysis of the respiration of rats.⁴⁸⁴ It exerts a lipotropic effect when administered peritoneally to young rats on a basal diet which produces fatty livers.⁶⁷⁶ Ethyl and allyl disulfides have antiseptic action.^{432, 433} The latter disulfide inhibits mitosis.³⁷⁶ p-Nitrophenyl disulfide has some beneficial effect in mouse pneumonia.⁵²⁷

Quinolyl-, 149 , 843 anthraquinolyl-, o-chlorobenzyl-, p-chlorobenzyl-, 3,4-dichlorobenzyl-, and 2,4-diaminobenzyl disulfides 149 have been tested as antimalarials. Ethyl disulfide was the most active of several tested against tuberculosis. $^{120.5}$

4-Chlorobenzyl-, 2,4-dichlorobenzyl- 803 and 2,4-dichlorophenyldisulfide 578 and 2,5-dichlorophenylsulfonyl disulfide 770 have been tested as growth regulators for plants.

2-Chlorocyclohexyl disulfide prevents the growth of some types of carcinoma.³³³

APPLICATIONS

Alkyl disulfides have been recommended for extracting oxygenated compounds from aqueous solutions in the Fischer-Tropsch process. All Some have been used in cutting oils. Allyl disulfides have been said to improve film strength 222, 223, 481, 634 and detergent action, and serve as antioxidants. In Italian in Italian Details of specific recommendations can not be given here. Propyl disulfide is a stabilizer for pure hydrocarbons. Butyl, i-amyl, and methylphenyl disulfides stabilize petroleum wax. Several aromatic disulfides are stabilizers for photographic emulsions. Allyl disulfide prevents injury to films by heat and light. The addition of disulfides from petroleum distillates to viscose for spinning has been recommended.

Disulfides are antagonistic to lead tetraethyl.⁴⁸³ Injected into engine fuels they are said to prevent carbonization of metal parts.⁸¹⁹ Their addition to Diesel fuels has been suggested,^{356,419,585,586} but their use is limited on account of corrosion. Certain disulfides are claimed as flotation agent.⁵⁵⁶

Treating dehydrated castor oil with small amounts of alkyl disulfides improves films which it forms. Disulfides have been used as constituents of resins, 114 particularly in phenol-formaldehyde. 553, 682

Aryl disulfides promote the photopolymerization of olefins.³⁹⁷, ⁶⁶⁹ Butyl disulfide is a catalyst for the addition of thioacetic acid to vinyl fluoride.²²⁰ Amyl disulfide aids in the addition of a mercaptan to vinyl chloride under the influence of ultraviolet light.⁶⁸⁹ Phenyl disulfide is even better for this purpose.⁶⁸⁸ They serve as regulators in emulsion polymerization.³¹⁹ They catalyze the oxidation of sodium azide by iodine but are less effective than mercaptans.²⁴

Various disulfides have been suggested as solvents,⁸⁴⁵ reclaiming agents,²¹⁹ softeners,⁶⁰⁶ plasticizers,^{181, 746, 836} and modifiers ²⁰⁵ for different kinds of rubbers. They act as vulcanization accelerators ¹²⁴ but are less active than the corresponding mercaptans.⁵⁶

The use of tolyl disulfides in beauty preparations has been mentioned. 797

The disulfides from petroleum distillates have been claimed as pesticides.⁶⁵⁶ Methyl disulfide is effective against nematode larvae ¹⁴⁸ and methyl-allyl against blow flies.^{487a} Methyl and

ethyl disulfides combat weevel in wheat.⁶⁷⁴ Butyl disulfide has been compared with several other pesticides.^{208, 487b} Synergism between p-chlorophenyl disulfide and nicotine has been demonstrated.⁵²² Octyl disulfide has been used with nicotine against melon worms.⁵²³ Aryl disulfides are recommended for use in fly sprays,⁷⁷¹ in tree sprays,⁵⁰⁹ and for dusting wheat to destroy rust.^{395a} Amino-aryl disulfides are claimed as fungicides.⁴⁵⁸

t-Octyl disulfide is effective as a defoliant.³¹⁵ β-Phenylacetyl-aminoethyl disulfide is a precursor of penicillin.⁶⁰ Methyl disulfide appears to be coming into use as an odorant for natural gas. Hydroxy- and amino-phenyl disulfides can be coupled with diazonium compounds to form dyes.²⁶⁵

A disulfide reagent, 2,2'-dihydroxy-6,6'-naphthol disulfide, has been recommended as a reagent for determining the presence of mercaptan groups in proteins.^{44.5}

Disulfide Acids

ALIPHATIC DISULFIDE ACIDS

In their preparation and in their reactions the disulfide acids present little that is novel or unexpected. There are two general methods of preparation, the oxidation of mercapto-acids, which has been taken up in chapter 5, Volume I, and the reaction of haloacids with sodium disulfide, which is similar to that of alkyl halides as has been discussed earlier in this chapter.

Since the disulfide and carboxyl groups do not interfere with each other the disulfide acids have two sets of reactions which are practically independent.

Dithiodiglycolic acid, (*SCH₂CO₂H)₂, the simplest and best known member of this class has been made from chloracetic acid and sodium ^{85a, 263, 264, 415b} or calcium ^{415a} disulfide. It can be obtained by the oxidation of the Bunte salt by iodine ^{775a} or electrolytically. ⁶²⁴ This holds for other acids of this group. ^{627a, 775a} Thioglycolic acid is oxidised by phenacyl bromide which is reduced to acetophenone. ^{380e}

The acid chloride results from the addition of ketene to sulfur chloride:

$$S_2Cl_2 + 2H_2C:CO \rightarrow (*SCH_2COCl)_2$$

Substituted ketenes react similarly.343, 583, 584

Treating methyl ⁵⁶⁵ and butyl ²²⁶ acrylates with sodium tetrasulfide converts them to esters of β , β' -dithiodiodipropionic acid, $S_2(CH_2CH_2CO_2R)_2$. Disulfide acids are obtained similarly from maleic and crotonic acids. ⁵⁶⁵ Acrylonitrile goes to the disulfide nitrile, $S_2(CH_2CH_2CN)_2$. ²²⁶

Dithiodilactic, (•SCHMeCO₂H)₂,⁹¹, ^{261c} and \varkappa,\varkappa' -dithioundecylic, (•S(CH₂)₁₀CO₂H)₂,¹⁶⁶ acids have been made from the haloacids and sodium disulfide. The optically active forms of dithiodilactic acid have been prepared.^{261c}, ^{261d} This acid has been made starting with pyruvic acid and hydrogen sulfide.^{491c}

The meso, racemic, and the two optically active forms of α,α'-dithiodibutyric acid have been prepared.⁴ γ,γ'-dithiodibutyric, (·SCH₂CH₂CO₂H)₂, has been made by way of the nitrile ²⁸⁷ and also in a round-about way starting with cyanoacetic ester and ethylene sulfide.⁷⁵⁰ A dithioacid has been prepared from dimethyl-α-thiopyruvic acid by treating it with iodine.⁵¹¹ Dithioglyceric acid, (·SCH₂CH(OH)CO₂H)₂ is produced by the air oxidation of the mercapto-acid.⁴⁴¹ A disulfide acid is made from malonic ester and sulfur chloride.⁸⁵²

An interesting disulfide acid is the cyclic α-lipoic acid, CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂COOH, which is taken up in chap-

ter 1 on cyclic sulfides.

Dithiodiglycolic acid is a regular acid. High yields of its esters, up to cetyl, have been obtained by refluxing it with a slight excess of the alcohol in toluene with *p*-toluenesulfonic acid as a catalyst.^{224, 564} It can be converted to the chloride from which the amide and esters may be made.³²⁶

Disulfide acids can be reduced to mercapto-acids by the methods appropriate for alkyl and aryl disulfides.^{196, 461, 620} The oxidation-reduction potential for the system thiolactic-dithio-dilactic has been calculated from thermal data.⁹⁹ The equilibrium between dithiodiglycolic acid and the sulfide ion has been determined polarographically.^{779.5}

The oxidation of a disulfide acid may go all the way to a sulfonic acid.^{210, 700a} A curious case of disproportionation is the conversion of three molecules of dithiodipropionic acid, (•SCH₂-CH₂COOH)₂, into five of the mercaptide, BrHgSCH₂CH₂CO₂H, or AgSCH₂CH₂COOH, and one of the sulfonic acid, HO₃SCH₂-

CH₂COOH, by treatment with mercuric bromide, or with silver sulfate.⁶²¹ The oxidation of several disulfide acids by hydrogen peroxide in dioxane solution, has been studied.^{775b} The air oxidation of barium thioglycolate does not stop at the disulfide stage but goes all the way to barium oxalate.^{701a}

The hydrolysis of a disulfide acid appears to be similar to that of other disulfides, the immediate products possibly being the mercapto-acid and a sulfenic acid.^{700b, 701c, 702, 703}

Disulfide acids may be estimated by bromide-bromate titration.³⁵⁷

The dissociation of dithiodiglycolic acid has been determined in a study of dibasic acids.⁸³⁴ The affinity constant for this acid is K = 0.090, for dithiodilactic, 0.080, and for β , β '-dithiodipropionic, 0.0090.^{491a} The proximity of the sulfur to the carboxyl makes a considerable difference. The conductivity of dithiodiglycolic acid in absolute alcohol has been measured.⁴⁸⁵

AROMATIC DISULFIDE ACIDS

The best known of this class are the three disulfide benzoic acids, $(HO_2CC_6H_4)_2S_2$, of which the di-ortho acid is the most important. It can be prepared by the oxidation of thiosalicylic acid. Chloric acid acid. Alexandrate acid. Alexandrat

The meta acid has been made by the diazo reaction ³⁵ and by the reduction of the sulfonyl chloride. ^{105, 745} An amino derivative has been obtained from a benzothiazole. ⁹⁶ The para disulfide acid, (p-HO₂CC₆H₄S·)₂, has been prepared by the diazo reaction. ^{35, 802}

5-Mercaptosalicylic acid has been oxidised to the disulfide acid, 417 which has been obtained also by the reduction of the corresponding sulfonyl chloride. 767

The 4-disulfide acid has been made by treating an ester of 3-hydroxy-2-naphthoic acid with thionyl chloride.⁴⁰⁷

The presence of the disulfide group in the disulfide acids, $(HO_2CC_6H_4)_2S_2$, modifies only slightly the reactions of the carboxyls. Some of the reactions here listed are assumed to be characteristic of ortho, meta, and para isomers though examples for all three isomers have not been found in the literature.

These acids form stable, water-soluble salts with ammonia and amines.⁴⁹⁵ Thionyl chloride converts them to the acid chlorides ⁵⁰³ from which amides,⁵⁰³ N-alkylamides,⁴⁶ and esters ⁴⁷⁴ can be made. Phosphorus pentoxide dehydrates the amides to the nitriles.⁵⁰³ The para acid decomposes at 320°.⁷⁴³ Of course these derivatives can be made by oxidising the corresponding derivatives of the mercapto-acids.^{416.7}

As disulfides they can be reduced to the mercapto-acids. Iron powder with sodium carbonate ⁸⁰² and zinc in acetic acid ⁹ have been used for the reduction.

The meta acid has been oxidised by iodine and potassium iodide to the "disulfoxide." 745

The disulfide linkage is broken by sodium hydroxide as has been described above for other disulfides.^{105, 743}

Concentrated sulfuric acid converts a mixture of dithiodiglycolic acid and the ortho disulfide acid into the mixed disulfide acid, o-HO₂CC₆H₄SSCH₂CO₂H.⁷⁴⁴ Under similar conditions condensations take place with benzene, toluene, anisole, and the three cresols. The respective products are thioxanthone, ⁶²² 2-methylthioxanthone, ⁶²² 2-methoxythioxanthone, ⁶²² and three hydroxymethylthioxanthones. ⁷²⁹ Condensations with acetic ⁴⁶, ²⁵⁶ and propionic anhydrides give substituted thionaphthenes. ²⁰³ A benzothiazoline is formed when a halogen is added to a carbon tetrachloride solution of the N-diethylamide of the same acid. ⁴⁶ The amide, benzaldehyde, and acetic acid give a benzothiazine.

PHYSIOLOGICAL

Several dithioacids have been tested as antidotes for hydrocyanic acid 354 and several as substitutes for cystine in which they failed. The toxicities of dithiodiglycolic and thiodiglycolic acids have been determined. The germicidal properties of the soaps of a series of α,α' -disulfide acids have been compared. The most effective are those from the lauric and myristic. 214

Small doses of the sodium salt of o,o'-dithiodibenzoic acid lowered the blood pressure in a dog, slowed the heart, and accelerated respiration. The lethal dose was 0.3 g. per kilo. For the magnesium salt it was 0.1 g. per kilo. Small doses arrested, while large doses of the sodium salt increased the normal movements of the dog intestine. Mercury dithiosalicylate is markedly antiseptic. It stimulates prompt healing of lesions without irritation. The sodium salt increased the normal movements of the dog intestine. The stimulates prompt healing of lesions without irritation.

Aminodisulfides

β,β'-Diaminodiethyl disulfide, (H₂NCH₂CH₂S·)₂, has been of interest on account of its connection with cystine, from which it may be obtained by pyrolysis.⁵⁷⁷ The starting material for its synthesis has been β-bromoethylphthalimide, C₆H₄(CO)₂NCH₂-CH₂Br. This may be converted to the mercaptan which is then oxidised to the disulfide.^{110, 163, 288, 471} Another route is to make the thiocyanate and treat this with alkali.¹⁶² Finally the imide is hydrolyzed. The aminomercaptan is also obtained by the hydrolysis of a thiazoline.^{291, 786} Ethylene imine and hydrogen sulfide give the aminomercaptan, H₂NCH₂CH₂SH, which can be oxidised.⁵³⁸ The disulfide can be hydrogenated to the mercaptan over palladium sponge in hydrochloric acid.⁶⁸ The N-alkylated compound, (Et₂NCH₂CH₂S·)₂, has been prepared by oxidation of the mercaptan.⁴⁸² Bromocholine disulfide results from the oxidation of thiocholine bromide.³⁴⁰

The next higher member of this series, $(H_2NCH_2CH_2CH_2S \cdot)_2$, has been made by the Gabriel synthesis.²⁹⁰ Oxidation products, "disulfoxides" of the series, $[H_2N(CH_2)_nS \cdot]_2$, in which n=1 to 4, are said to have therapeutic value.¹⁵⁰ The pentamethylene disulfide was made from the chloride, PhCONH $(CH_2)_5Cl$, and sodium disulfide.²⁴⁹ The dimethylamino pentamethylene disulfide, from the oxidation of the mercaptan, is said to have curare-like activity.^{375.5, 553, 554}

Bromocholine disulfide results from the oxidation of thiocholine bromide.³⁴⁰

Various aminophenyl disulfides and their acyl derivatives have been made by oxidation of the mercaptans.^{242, 539, 829, 873, 876} The formation of aminophenyl disulfides from thiocyanates ^{92b, 418, 720} must involve the oxidation of mercaptan intermediates. Alkylaminophenyl mercaptans are oxidised by air to the disulfides.⁴³¹

Many amino-aromatic disulfides have been prepared by reducing the corresponding nitro compounds. 396, 427, 460, 541, 618, 672, 789 This serves for the preparation of the ortho and para compounds. Heating aniline, or its hydrochloride, with sulfur gives a mixture of the ortho and para disulfides along with mono- and trisulfides. 325, 368a, 368b, 369, 377, 378, 607 More of the ortho is formed at low temperatures, while higher favor the para.368b Improved laboratory methods have been given for the preparation of aniline and toluidine disulfides. 736 When o-toluidine is heated with sulfur, it is sulfurized in the 2 and 5 positions. The 2,2'-disulfide goes directly into a thiazole while the 5,5'-disulfide is isolated as such.³⁷⁰ o-Amino-disulfides may be obtained from thiazoles.⁹⁶, 692, 784 p-Acetaminophenyl disulfide is formed when acetanilide and sulfur monochloride are heated together in acetic acid solution.⁷³⁴ It has been maintained that this compound exists in three forms. 867c, 427

A curious reaction is the formation of 3,5-diiodo-4-pyridyl disulfide from the corresponding mercaptoacetic, or mercapto-propionic, acid in alkaline solution: 437

$$\mathbf{2} \; \mathsf{C_5H_2NI_2SCH_2CO_2H} \qquad \rightarrow \qquad \; (\mathsf{C_5H_2NI_2S} \cdot)_2$$

An amino-alkyl disulfide and an alkylisothiuronium salt give a bis-(ω -guanidinoalkyl) disulfide, [H₂NC(:NH)NH-(CH₂)_nS·]₂.¹⁹⁵

o-Aminophenyl disulfide and its N-dimethyl derivative form addition compounds with trinitrobenzene. O-Aminophenyl disulfide reacts with ethyl oxalate to form the anilic ester which reacts further with ammonia and other amines. One of the two sulfur atoms of o-aminophenyl disulfide is removed by heating it with litharge in aniline. This disulfide forms anils with aldehydes. The aminophenyl disulfides can be acetylated and benzoylated.

The o-aminophenyl disulfide forms the succinanylic acid, (${}^{\circ}SC_6H_4NHCOCH_2CH_2CO_2H$)₂, with succinic anhydride. It replaces one of the sulfonic acid groups of methanedisulfonic acid giving the sulfonic acid disulfide, (${}^{\circ}SC_6H_4NHCH_2SO_3H$)₂.⁶¹⁸

Both ortho and para give color reactions with ferric chloride and other oxidising agents.³⁷³ Dyes have been made from them.⁶⁷⁵ Both ortho and para and their acetyl and benzoyl derivatives lower the viscosity of a toluene solution of rubber.³⁹⁶

The half-wave potential of the ortho disulfide in a buffered solution has been studied.⁷⁸⁸

Certain β -alkylamino- and β -aryl-amino-ethyl disulfides cause lowering of blood pressure.¹¹¹ β -Aminoethyl disulfide known as cystamine, is said to protect against ionic radiations.⁷⁵²

o-Aminophenyl disulfide, called intramine, has been of considerable pharmacological interest.^{368d} It has been found useful in in the treatment of syphilis.^{349, 504, 505} Its acetyl and succinyl derivatives have been found to be active against infections.^{572, 617, 619} Its formaldehyde sulfoxalate derivative has been used in combating bacterial infections.⁶⁸⁶ Intramine is effective against Staph. aureus ⁸⁰⁷ and has been used in India with success against several infections.⁷⁷² It inhibits the metamorphosis of tadpoles but accelerates the growth of lupin plants.⁵²⁴

The bacteriostatic properties of some twenty substituted aminophenyl disulfides have been studied.⁸⁵⁰

Diselenides

RSe·SeR.

These resemble the disulfides, both as to methods of preparation and reactions. A selenomercaptan can be oxidised to the diselenide. Chlorpicrin may be the oxidising agent. Oxidation of a seleno Bunte salt, RSeSO₃Na, gives a diselenide. An alkyl halide reacts with an alkali diselenide: 28, 82, 93, 191, 601, 614, 755a

$$2 RBr + K_2Se_2 \rightarrow RSe \cdot SeR + 2 KBr$$

Diselenides are made from selenocyanates ^{41, 59, 261a, 297, 423, 639, 684} and from selenenyl halides, RSeCl, RSeBr, ^{254a, 662b, 667} or RSeSCN. ^{662b} Chloromethyl diselenide, (ClCH₂Se·)₂, is one of the products of the chlorination of trimeric selenoformaldehyde, (CH₂Se)₃. ¹¹³ Chlorination of carbon diselenide in carbon tetrachloride yields (Cl₃CSe)₂. ^{399.5} By coupling diazotized anthranilic acid with sodium polyselenide a high yield of the diselenide is obtained. ⁷⁰⁵ The addition of selenium to a Grignard reagent gives the diselenide along with the selenomercaptan. ^{550, 787a}

Diselenide acids require no special treatment as in their preparation and reactions they are so like other diselenides. In addition they have the characteristics of acids. Esters and amides

can be made from the acid chlorides.⁴⁷⁴ The three diselenobenzoic acids have been prepared by the diazo reaction from the corresponding aminoacids.^{35, 474}

Diselenides are reduced to selenomercaptans by sodium in alcohol ^{82, 449} or in liquid ammonia. ¹⁶¹ Zinc in boiling sodium hydroxide solution has been used for the reduction of the para diselenobenzoic acid. ³⁵ By disproportionation in the presence of mercuric chloride diselenodilactic acid gives the chloromercury selenide, RSeHgCl, and the seleninic acid. ^{261e}

Diselenides are oxidised to seleninic, 601, 662b RSeO₂H, or to selenonic, RSeO₃H 474 acids.

Of the disclenides studied the propyl proved to be the most stable to hydrolysis.⁶⁰¹

Cinnamic acid is reduced to hydrocinnamic by boiling it with tetralin and phenyl diselenide.⁵⁵⁰

The dipole moment of PtCl₂(Et₂Se₂)₂ has been determined.⁴¹⁰ Aliphatic diselenides have been recommended as oxidation inhibitors.¹⁹¹

When a diseleno-acetic, or butyric, acid is injected into a mouse the highest selenium content is found in the lungs. If the mercury salt is injected the selenium goes to the kidneys.³²⁹

Polysulfides

FORMATION

Alkyl and aryl monosulfides are easy to prepare and are stable, well characterized compounds. As has been shown in the section just before this, much the same can be said of the disulfides. Mixtures containing polysulfides are easy to obtain but the isolation, purification, and characterization of individual trior tetrasulfides is difficult. In many cases clean cut separations are impossible.

After making monosulfides and disulfides by the reactions of alkyl halides with sodium sulfide and disulfide, it was logical for the early chemists to try sodium polysulfides:

2 EtBr	+	Na_2S	\rightarrow	Et ₂ S	+	2 NaBr
2 EtBr	+	Na_2S_2	\rightarrow	\bar{Et}_2S_2	+	2 NaBr
2 EtBr	+	Na_2S_3	\rightarrow	Et ₂ S ₃	+	2 NaBr
2 EtBr	+	Na_2S_4	\rightarrow	Et ₂ S ₄	+	2 NaBr
2 EtBr	+	Na ₂ S ₅	\rightarrow			2 NaBr

It has been pointed out already that this method is not altogether reliable even for disulfides since sodium disulfide is an equilibrium mixture of several sulfides. It is much worse with the higher sulfides of sodium where there are more possibilities. Alkyl monosulfides and disulfides can be purified by fractionation but this is seldom possible with the higher sulfides.

There is some doubt about the existence of alkyl hexasulfides though several have been reported.⁴²⁶

A number of investigators have made polysulfides from alkali polysulfides ^{179, 194, 374, 395b, 595a, 610, 671, 778a} and from ammonium polysulfides. ^{380b, 801} Allyl iodide reacts satisfactorily with anhydrous potassium pentasulfide. ⁸⁰¹ o-Nitrophenyl tri- and tetrasulfides are from o-nitrophenyl chloride and the sodium polysulfides. The tetrasulfide was obtained also in another way: ^{85c}

$$2 \text{ o-NO}_2\mathsf{C}_6\mathsf{H}_4\mathsf{SSN}\alpha \quad + \quad \mathsf{I}_2 \qquad \rightarrow \qquad (\text{o-O}_2\mathsf{NC}_6\mathsf{H}_4)_2\mathsf{S}_4 \quad + \quad 2 \; \mathsf{N}\alpha$$

Another approach is the use of sulfur chlorides with mercaptans:

This looks neat but the chlorides of sulfur are equilibrium mixtures. Sulfur dichloride may contain free chlorine along with some sulfur monochloride so that the product may contain diand tetrasulfides along with the desired trisulfide. Likewise sulfur monochloride gives mixtures. However, this method has been used extensively with fair results. However, this method has been used extensively with fair results. However, this method has been used extensively with fair results. However, this method has been used extensively with fair results. However, this method has been used extensively with fair results. However, this method has been used extensively with fair results. However, this method has been used extensively with fair results. However, this method has been used extensively with fair results. Sulfur diox side, 117b, 137, 156, 209, 230.5, 286, 303, 435a, 467, 477a, 479a, 590, 604, 659, 749, 810, 814, 839 Tri- and tetrasulfides have been made from mercaptobenzoic acids in this way. Place of a lead mercaptide, instead of the mercaptan. Sulfur dioxide, 749 or thionyl chloride, 795 may be substituted for the sulfur chloride without much change in the results. This method is applicable to both alkyl and aryl mercaptans.

Polysulfides have been made by the use of aromatic sulfenyl chlorides: 347

Aliphatic sulfenyl chlorides react similarly. The reactions of sulfenyl chlorides have been discussed in chapter 3, Volume I.

As was brought out in the chapter on mustard gas in chapter 5, Volume II, polysulfides are formed, along with monosulfides, by the addition of sulfur chloride to unsaturates.^{169, 283, 738a}

A third method is useful when the aim is to get high sulfur content rather than to prepare an individual compound. This is the direct addition of sulfur to a disulfide, or to a lower polysulfide. The addition of sulfur to an alkyl, or aryl, monosulfide is not practicable though it does take place under drastic conditions. Some disulfide and trisulfide are formed when ethyl monosulfide is heated with sulfur to 180° for 24 hours. Ethyl disulfide took up additional sulfur when it was heated with sulfur for twenty-four hours at 135° in a sealed tube. Butyl disulfide takes up sulfur at 107–62°. Sulfur is taken up readily by an alkyl disulfide 691, 719 in the presence of alkali, 333 of ammonia, 380b, 435a, 562, 842 of amine, 452, 589 or of zinc oxide. This will come up again under thioelastomers. Sulfur is taken up rapidly by a warm, stirred solution of ethyl disulfide containing 1% of triethylamine. Phosphorus pentasulfide may serve as carrier.

There are various special methods. A Grignard reagent reacts with sulfur chloride to give a disulfide and trisulfide among other things.²³⁵

When glycerol is heated with sulfur at 300° some allyl trisulfide is among the products. Heating 1-methylcyclohexene with sulfur gives a mixture of polysulfides. This will be taken up later. Heating 2,4-diaminoacetanilide with sulfur gives a trisulfide. Heating 2,4-diaminoacetanilide with sulfur gives a trisulfide.

The α,α'-trisulfide of propionic acid has been obtained by treating pyroracemic acid with hydrogen sulfide. Trifluoromethyl trisulfide is obtained by heating iodine pentafluoride with carbon disulfide. Sulfur and trifluoromethyl iodide give the tetrasulfide. 350.5

STRUCTURE

There has been much discussion as to the structure of the sulfur groups in polysulfides. This has come up in chapter 5 on mustard gas in Volume II and will be taken up under thioelastomers, in a later volume. The whole idea of structure in organic chemistry is based on the fixedness of bonds. As sulfur to sulfur

bonds are labile a group of sulfur atoms can not have a fixed structure.

There can be no doubt that there is a sulfur atom attached to each alkyl by a fixed bond so the only question is the disposition of the remaining sulfur atom, or atoms. Much has been made of the fact that sulfur can be added to a disulfide or removed from a tri- or tetrasulfide. This has been construed as favoring the idea that the extra sulfur is added to one of the sulfur atoms of the disulfide instead of being inserted between them. This argument loses its force when the lability of the sulfur to sulfur bonds is considered. Various structures have been proposed 72, 182, 197, 198, 477a, 600 but are not to be taken too seriously.

The question of the structure of polysulfides has been reviewed.^{71, 129} It has been claimed that by oxidation, ethyl trisulfide, tetrasulfide, and pentasulfide are all converted to the trisulfoxide, EtSO·SO·SOEt, which was taken as establishing the basic structure, EtS·S·SEt, in all of them.⁴⁴ In view of the known lability of sulfur to sulfur bonds this does not seem to be proven.

This lability is manifested in chemical reactions and may have little or nothing to do with the validity of conclusions deduced from physical measurements. $^{34, 156, 440, 855}$ It is claimed that electron $^{253, 350.5}$ and x-ray diffraction data, Raman, 253 ultraviolet, $^{253, 350.5}$ and x-ray emission spectra indicate zigzag sulfur chains as opposed to conclusions from dipole moments, parachors, and viscosities which are considered less reliable. 253 A two-fold axis of symmetry, shown by x-rays, appears to exclude sulfur atoms attached to the chain. From a study of the crystal structure of β , β -diiododiethyl trisulfide it is concluded that the zig-zag chain is the correct one. 183

The chain structure has been considered likely as it would naturally result from the various methods of formation ³⁴⁷ but it is not safe to exclude possible isomerization.

Some recent experiments with radioactive sulfur are of interest. This was added to ethyl trisulfide:

$$\operatorname{Et}_2 S_3 + S^* \rightarrow \operatorname{Et}_2 S_3 S^*$$

The resulting tetrasulfide was split by vacuum distillation into the trisulfide and sulfur. This trisulfide was radioactive. The disulfide obtained from it by treatment with alkali was inactive. This shows that the two sulfur atoms, linked to the two ethyl groups, have taken no part in the exchange. Inactive ethyl tetrasulfide was heated with active ethyl trisulfide at 100° for 2 hours. Separation by vacuum distillation gave active trisulfide and active tetrasulfide. Active ethyl trisulfide, Et₂S₂S*, was heated at 210° for 4 hours. The Et₂S₂ obtained from this was inactive. These experiments show the fixedness of sulfur to carbon bonds and the complete lability of sulfur to sulfur bonds.³²⁸ Similar experiments have been carried out with ethyl trisulfide and p-tolyl trisulfide.³²⁷ In the exchange between disulfides and trisulfides the RS-group remains intact.^{328.5}

In a recent study sulfur was extracted from samples of benzyl polysulfide prepared by different methods. In two cases the sulfur content of the residue was near that of the sulfide while in others it corresponded to that of the disulfide. More sulfur was taken out of a sample of benzyl tetrasulfide that had been heated than from the unheated material.⁵³ It is risky to draw conclusions from these few data on benzyl polysulfides in which the carbon to sulfur is notably labile.

REACTIONS OF POLYSULFIDES

The most characteristic reaction of polysulfides is the taking up of sulfur by the lower and the giving up of sulfur by the higher. In ultraviolet light methyl trisulfide gives some di- and tetrasulfides. The polysulfides are all unstable at higher temperatures. For this reason only a few of the lower alkyl polysulfides can be distilled, even in a high vacuum. When an attempt is made to distill either phenyl tetrasulfide or pentasulfide at 1 mm., what goes over is the disulfide. On vacuum distillation methyl pentasulfide gives the trisulfide 778a and ethyl pentasulfide, the disulfide. In the aliphatic series the stability increases with the length of the alkyl. The Butyl trisulfide is exceptionally stable. It is the only polysulfide, so far found, that does not give up sulfur to sodium plumbite.

Ethyl tetrasulfide converts metals to sulfides and potassium cyanide to thiocyanate. Boiling it with aqueous 10% sodium hydroxide takes off sulfur down to the disulfide. Hydrazine, ethylene diamine, and ammonia do the same. Sodium sulfide and sulfite solutions will usually strip alkyl polysulfides down to the disulfides. A colorless solution of sodium sulfide becomes colored when shaken with an alkyl tetrasulfide. Sodium arsenite

robs methyl trisulfide of sulfur.³³¹ Treatment with acetone causes a part of the sulfur of propyl tetrasulfide to separate.^{727c} Much sulfur is removed from o-nitrophenyl polysulfides by extraction with carbon disulfide.³⁷⁴ A violent reaction takes place soon after an alkyl polysulfide and powdered silver nitrate are mixed.⁶⁵⁵

Ethyl tetrasulfide is converted to thiophene when it is passed over alumina at a high temperature.¹⁰³ Curiously enough a balanced equation can be written but it has no significance:

$$C_2H_5S_4C_2H_5 \rightarrow C_4H_4S + 3H_2S$$

At 200° phenyl tetrasulfide dehydrogenates tetralin. Aryl polysulfides are taken down to thiophenols by hydrocarbons at 270° or above. Alkyl tetrasulfides are excellent sulfur donors for the sulfuration of organic compounds. In the vulcanization of rubber the replacement of sulfur by certain aryl tetrasulfides has been claimed.

Chlorinating 4-hydroxy-α-naphthyl trisulfide removes all of the sulfur leaving 2,4-dichloro-α-naphthol.⁶⁵²

Alkyl polysulfides, containing more than two atoms of sulfur per molecule, are removed from hydrocarbons by treatment with a solution of sodium stannite.²⁶

APPLICATIONS

A terpene polysulfide has been claimed as a plasticizer for sulfur.⁶⁴³ Rubber and rubber substitutes are softened by incorporating certain polysulfides.³²³ Others may have the same effect on plastics.⁸³⁶ Still others are recommended for asphalt.³⁴⁴

Amyl trisulfide is said to inhibit the oxidation of lubricating oils ⁶⁸³ and diminish corrosion. ^{759b} t-Butyl and t-amyl trisulfides are stabilizers for polysulfone resins. ¹⁷² Other polysulfides are recommended as additions to lubricating oils, ^{37, 117a, 132, 759b} especially to those for hypoid gears. ^{590, 781} Polysulfides, polyselenides, and polytellurides are said to be useful in lubricants. ^{759a} Methyl, ethyl, propyl, and butyl polysulfides are claimed as improvers for Diesel fuels. ^{356, 796}

t-Butyl trisulfide controls the emulsion polymerization of butadiene and other unsaturated monomers.¹⁷¹ Trithiodilactic acid is stabilized by thiolactic.⁵¹⁸ The dimethiodide of p,p'-dimethylamindiphenyl disulfide forms a yellow complex with lead ions which may be used for the colorimetric estimation of lead. Many uses for polysulfides have been suggested. 659

Tetrathiodilactic acid, from thiolactic acid and sulfur chloride, is said to be good for the treatment of rheumatoid arthritis. ^{479a} The benzyl esters of this acid and of tetrathiodiacetic are recommended for the treatment of skin diseases. ^{479b} Benzyl tetrasulfide serves the same purpose. ¹⁸⁷

As will be seen in Volume V, polymeric polysulfides have found wide applications, particularly in thioelastomers.

Physical Properties

GENERAL

On account of the difficulty of purifying disulfides, the data for them are less accurate than those for the sulfides. The same can be said with greater emphasis about the data for trisulfides and tetrasulfides. The tables, at least, serve the purpose of showing what has been done and by whom. Reference should be made to a review on the properties, characteristics, and toxicology of alkyl disulfides.¹⁵⁸

There have been numerous studies of the Raman spectra of alkyl disulfides comparing their spectra with those of analogous compounds. 97, 199, 300, 313.5 525, 600, 817, 818, 823 Methyl and ethyl trisulfides have been included in these. 97, 199, 525, 600, 823 Absorption spectra, both infrared 108, 173, 221, 257, 616, 715, 732, 783, 811 and ultraviolet, 34, 108, 302, 440, 478, 540a, 544 have been studied extensively. Absorption by ethyl disulfide begins at around 250 mµ and rises towards 200. 543 t-Butyl disulfide does not show a characteristic band at 250. 42.5 It appears that rotation around the S—S bond is restricted and that dimethyl disulfide, MeS·SMe, exists in cis and trans forms. One author believes that equal amounts of these are present 817 while another finds more of the cis, even at elevated temperatures. 300

The vapor pressure of butyl disulfide has been determined from 10° to 80°.48 The latent heats of vaporization of methyl and phenyl disulfides have been measured.599 The heats of formation and free energies of —S·S— groups have been predicted.258

The heats of formation of methyl and ethyl disulfides have been calculated from calorimetric data. Specific heats, entropies, and free energies of several disulfides have been determined. The electric moments of n-butyl, i-butyl, and t-butyl disulfides have been compared. The dipole moments of methyl, the ethyl, and propyl disulfides and methyl trisulfide have been measured. The value for phenyl disulfide is 1.90 and for the p-nitro derivative 4.31.327

The valence angle of bivalent sulfur in *p*-bromophenyl disulfide is 107°.⁸⁰⁹ The S—S bond distance in β,β'-diiododiethyl trisulfide is 2.04 Å and the S—S—S angle is 113°.^{183, 197} In dimethyl trisulfide the S—S bond distance is the same but the S—S—S angle is 104°,¹⁹⁸ another value is 107°.⁷⁶⁶ In diphenyl diselenide the Se—Se distance is 2.29 Å and the Se—C 1.94 Å.⁵¹⁶

The diamagnetic susceptibilities of alkyl disulfides show that they have the structure RS·SR and not R₂S:S.¹⁶⁰ The diamagnetism of butyl mono-, di-, tri-, and tetrasulfides has been studied.²³¹ Solutions of thiols and of disulfides in concentrated sulfuric acid are strongly colored and show paramagnetic resonance absorptions. Certain similarities of the colors and of the absorptions of all the compounds have been noted.^{367.5}

The formation of mixed crystals in binary systems of aryl disulfides and diselenides has been studied. 614, 661, 663, 664, 755a, 756

The optical activities of *act*-amyl alcohol, mercaptan, sulfide, and disulfide have been compared. The rotations are -4.35° , $+2.20^{\circ}$, $+24.52^{\circ}$, and $+72.48^{\circ}$.¹¹⁵

The refractivity of S_2 in a number of disulfides was found to be 2×7.92 . The average for four alkyl disulfides was found by another investigator to be 16.07.

Molecular volumes and parachors have been considered with reference to structure.^{74, 301} Parachors and surface tensions have been determined for several substituted phenyl disulfides ⁷⁴ and for a number of aliphatic.⁸²⁴ The values of the parachors of a number of aryl disulfides agree with the structure ArS·SAr.⁷³ Several regularities have been found between vapor pressure-temperature relationships and structure.⁸⁴⁴

The refractivity of S₂ in a xanthate is 18.78, of S₃ in a trithio-carbonate 28.02 and of S₄ in an alkyl tetrasulfide 34.91.¹⁰¹

Azeotropes with hydrocarbons have been investigated. Data are in Table 2.7.

Special attention is directed to comprehensive studies of the thermodynamic properties of methyl 722 and ethyl 723 disulfides.836.5

Table 2.7						
Azeotropes	of	Alkyl	Disulfides	with	Hydrocarbons 192	

	B.p. Hydrocarbon °C	B.p. Azeotrope °C	$\begin{array}{c} \text{Mole } \% \\ \text{R}_2\text{S}_2 \end{array}$
MeS·SMe b. 109.4°			_
Hexane	98.5°	96.4°	27.5
Methylcyclohexane	101.0°	98.9°	29.3
2,5-Dimethylhexane	109.1°	102.8°	53.2
2-Methylheptane EtS·SEt b. 154.1°	117.7°	106.2°	73.3
Nonane	150.6°	148.6°	42.3
${\bf 3-Methyl-3-ethylheptane}$	163.0°	153.0°	82.5

Symmetrical Aliphatic Disulfides

Me₂S₂, m. -84.72°, ^{336.5}, ⁷²² -89.69°; ⁵⁰⁰ b. 109.75°, ⁷²² 109.6°, ^{336.5} 109.44°, ¹⁹² 110°, ⁸³, ^{113.5}, ¹⁸⁶, ⁵⁰⁰ 108.5-9.5°, ¹⁷⁹ 114°, ⁵⁹⁹ 116-8°, ¹²⁸ 118°; ⁶⁷⁴ b₇₄₄ 112.1°, ⁶¹³ b₇₄₈ 108-8.5°, ³⁹⁴ b₇₄₇ 108°, ⁸⁵⁴ b₇₇₄ 109.5°, ⁸²² b₁₈ 39-41°, ²⁹ b₁₂ 40°, ⁴⁴⁶ b₁₂₁ 55°; ^{630a} d₀ 1.06358, ⁶¹³ d₁₆ 1.05665, ¹⁸⁶ d 16/4 1.0606, ³⁹⁴ d₁₈ 1.046, ¹²⁸ d 20/4 1.0647, ⁸²² 1.0625, ^{336.5} 1.0623, ¹⁹², ⁵⁰⁰⁰ d 25/4 1.0570, ⁵⁰⁰⁰ 1.0569, d 30/4 1.05138; ^{336.5} n 16/D 1.52192, ¹⁸⁶ n 20/D 1.52599, ⁸²² 1.5259, ¹⁹², ⁵⁰⁰⁰ 1.52592, n 25/D 1.52298, ^{336.5} 1.5227, ⁵⁰⁰⁰ 1.5221, ⁸⁵⁴ n 30/D 1.51998; ^{336.5} heat of vaporization 75 cal./mole; ⁷²² viscosity 0.619 at 20°, 0.585 at 25°, 0.555 at 30°; ^{336.5} surface tension 34.87 at 14.1°, ⁸²² 33.6 at 20°, 32.8 at 25°, 32.2 at 30°; ^{336.5} parachor 213.9. ⁸²²

- d 20/4 0.9933,^{192, 500} 0.99311,^{336,5} 0.9927,⁷¹ 0.99267,^{186, 573} 0.9926,⁴⁴ 0.9920,⁸²² 0.9961,³⁹⁴ 0.9982,⁵⁷⁶ d 25/4 0.9882,⁵⁰⁰ 0.98818, d 30/4 0.98332; ^{836,5} n 20/D 1.50687,³²⁸ 1.5070,⁷¹ 1.50704,⁸²² 1.5072,^{192, 500} 1.50731,^{336,5} 1.5078,^{87, 842} 1.50633,^{186, 573} 1.5030,⁵⁷⁶ n 25/D 1.5046,⁵⁰⁰ 1.50470, n 30/D 1.50198; ^{336,5} critical temperature 368.93°; ²³⁶ dipole moment 1.99 \times 10⁻¹⁰; ⁸⁴² dielectric constant 15.6 at 19.0°; ²¹³ diamagnetic susceptibility 83.63; ¹⁶⁰ viscosity 0.860 at 20°, 0.805 at 25°, 0.757 at 30°; surface tension 31.3 at 20°, 30.7 at 25°, 30.2 at 30°, ^{336,5} 31.19 at 173°; parachor 291.1; ⁸²² 287.6.⁴⁴
- $Pr_{2}S_{2},\ m.\ -85.59^{\circ};^{500}\ b.\ 194^{\circ},^{129}\ 195^{\circ},^{500}\ 195-6^{\circ},^{29}\ 192.5^{\circ},^{757}\ 190-4^{\circ},^{109}\ 191-2^{\circ},^{71}\ b_{750}\ 193.5^{\circ};\ d\ 20/4\ 0.9599,^{822}\ 0.9596,^{500}\ 0.9525,^{71}\ d\ 25/4\ 0.9549;^{500}\ n\ 20/D\ 1.49813,^{822}\ 1.4980,^{500}\ 1.4981,^{71}\ n\ 25/D\ 1.4954,^{500}\ 1.4961;^{129}\ diamagnetic\ susceptibility\ 106.23;^{160}\ surface\ tension\ 30.68\ at\ 18.8^{\circ};\ parachor\ 368.5.^{822}$
- *i*-Pr₂S₂, m. -69.08°; ⁵⁰⁰ b_{7.5} 54–5°, ⁸⁵⁴ b₇₁ 97–8°, b₇₆₀ 176°, ¹⁵⁹ b₇₆₇ 176°, ⁸²² b. 174°, ^{81a}, ⁵⁰⁰ 174.5°, ⁵³⁷, ⁷⁵⁷ 175–7°; ¹⁰⁹ d 2O/4 0.9427, ⁵⁰⁰ 0.9435, ⁸²² d 25/4 0.9381, ⁵⁰⁰ d 25/4 1.0829; ⁸⁵⁴ n 20/D 1.4917, ⁵⁰⁰ 1.49164, ⁸²² 1.4948, ⁸⁵⁴ n 25/D 1.4891; ¹²⁹, ⁵⁰⁰ surface tension 28.60 at 18.4°, parachor 368.0. ⁸²²
- Bu₂S₂, b. 226°,⁷⁸² b₇₅₅ 230.5°,⁸²² b₇₄₀ 226–9°, b₇₃₅ 227–9°,³⁹⁴ b₃ 85°,⁷⁹ 90–100°,⁸⁴¹ b₄ 88°,^{81b} b₉ 102–4°,²⁰¹ b₁₀ 102.0–2.4°,²¹ b₁₅ 110–2°,⁷³² 110–5°,⁶⁵¹ 110–3°,³⁰⁹ b₁₇ 115°,⁶⁷⁸ b₂₀ 116–8°,^{436b} b₈₃ 143–4°; ⁷¹ vapor pressure 10° 0.4 mm., 20° 0.6, 30° 0.9, 40° 1.3, 50° 1.7, 60° 2.2, 70° 2.9, 80° 4.0; ⁴⁸ d₂₀ 0.9371,⁷⁹ d 20/4 0.928,⁵⁷⁴ 0.9383,⁸²² 0.9306,⁷¹ 0.930,³⁰⁹ 0.942,⁷⁸² d₂₅ 0.9231,⁷⁹ d 25/4 0.93245,⁶⁷⁸ 0.9327; ³⁹⁴ n 20/D 1.4923,²⁹ 1.49259,⁸²² 1.4926,⁷⁸² 1.49208,⁷¹ 1.4982,²⁰¹ 1.494,³⁰⁹ n 25/D 1.4905; ⁶⁷⁸ surface tension 31.01 at 15.5°; parachor 447.7.⁸²²
- *i*-Bu₂S₂, b. 220°,⁷⁵⁷ 215°,^{81a} b₇₆₇ 215°,⁸²² b₃ 84°,³⁰ b₁₇ 97.0°; ⁶⁷⁸ d 20/4 0.9275,⁸²² 0.928,⁵⁷⁴ d 25/4 0.92225; ⁶⁷⁸ n 20/D 1.4867,⁵⁷⁴ 1.48666,⁸²² n 25/D 1.4847; ⁶⁷⁸ surface tension 28.29 at 17.1°; parachor 443.4.⁸²²
- s-Bu₂S₂, b₁₄ 95–7°; d 14/4 0.942; n 18.5/D 1.5031; $[\alpha]$ 14/5893 –93.55°, $[\alpha]$ 14/425.9 196.9°, $[\alpha]$ 5461 –111.25°.⁴²⁵
- $\begin{array}{l} t\text{-Bu}_2\mathrm{S}_2,\,\mathrm{m}.\,-4.95\,^\circ;\,^{79}\,\,\mathrm{b}.\,\,200-1\,^\circ,\,\mathrm{b}_4\,\,64-5\,^\circ,^{29}\,\,\mathrm{b}_{5.5}\,\,64\,^\circ,^{822}\,\,\mathrm{b}_{10}\,\,73-5\,^\circ,^{30}\,\,\mathrm{b}_{11}\,\,72\,^\circ,^{665},\,^{678}\,\,\mathrm{b}_{16}\,\,78-80\,^\circ,^{732}\,\,79-80\,^\circ,^{575}\,\,\mathrm{b}_{17}\,\,81-2\,^\circ,^{29}\,\,\mathrm{b}_{20}\,\,84-5\,^\circ,^{665}\,\,\mathrm{b}_{21}\,\,88\,^\circ,^{29}\,\,\mathrm{b}_{25}\,\,85\,^\circ;\,^{42.5}\,\,\mathrm{d}_{20}\,\,0.9226,^{79}\,\,\mathrm{d}\,\,20/4\,\,0.9229,^{822}\,\,\mathrm{d}\,\,25/4\,\,0.9194\,;\,^{678}\,\,\mathrm{n}\,\,15/\mathrm{D}\,\,\,1.4912,^{29}\,\,\mathrm{n}\,\,17/\mathrm{D}\,\,\,1.4928,^{575}\,\,\mathrm{n}\,\,20/\mathrm{D} \end{array}$

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1.49003,822 1.4899,79 1.4921;30 surface tension 27.32 at 17.5°;
   parachor 440.9; 822 heat fusion 3.144 k. cal./mole.79
Am_2S_2, b_1 74–5°,689 90–2°, 89–91°,537 b_{2.5} 105–7°,689 b_7 119°,822
   b_{17} 140.5-2°; 83 d 20/4 0.9221, 822 d 25/4 0.9197; 537 n 20/D
   1.48887,822 1.4876,537 n 24.5/D 1.4867,689 n 25/D 1.4875;537
   surface tension 29.72 at 18.5°; parachor 524.6.822
i\text{-Am}_2S_2, b. 250°,757 240–60°,362 b<sub>9</sub> 115°,822 b<sub>12</sub> 123.5–4°;394 d<sub>13</sub>
   0.880,^{330}~d_{18}~0.918,^{362}~d~18/4~0.9188,^{391}~d~20/4~0.9192;~n~20/D
    1.48637; surface tension 29.08 at 13.4°; parachor 521.2.822
act-Am<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>, b<sub>10</sub> 122-3°; d 20/4 0.923; [α] 20/D 72.48°. <sup>115</sup>
t-Am<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>, b<sub>5</sub> 98°; d<sub>20</sub> 0.9342, d<sub>25</sub> 0.9304; n 20/D 1.4988, n 25/D
    1.4965.79
n-Heptyl<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>, b<sub>5</sub> 143–7°, s<sub>41</sub> b<sub>6</sub> 164°; d 15.5/4 0.9073. s<sub>1b</sub>
3-Heptyl<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>, b<sub>3</sub> 130-1°; d 20/4 0.9033; n 20/D 1.4865.<sup>530</sup>
(i-AmPrCH)<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>, b<sub>7</sub> 165-7°; d 20/4 0.8925; n 20/D 1.4819.<sup>530</sup>
(i-Am-i-PrCH)<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>, b<sub>1</sub> 148-56°; d 20/4 0.9128; n 20/D 1.4923.<sup>530</sup>
Oct<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>, b<sub>1.5</sub> 160–3°,<sup>506</sup> b<sub>5</sub> 178–83°.<sup>841</sup>
i-Oct<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>, d 20/4 0.86; n 20/D 1.4815.<sup>71</sup>
s-Oct<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>, b<sub>6</sub> 169-71°; d 20/4 0.9010; n 20/D 1.4871.<sup>530</sup>
(PrBuCH)<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>, b<sub>1</sub> 137-9°; d 20/4 0.9003; n 20/D 1.4857.<sup>530</sup>
(i-PrBuCH)<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>, b<sub>1</sub> 137-8°; d 20/4 0.9147; n 20/D 1.4880.<sup>530</sup>
t-Oct<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>, d<sub>25</sub> 0.9152; n 20/D 1.4998.<sup>718c</sup>
Non<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>, b<sub>6</sub> 211–2°, <sup>805</sup> b<sub>7</sub> 185–93; d 20/4 0.8772, <sup>530</sup> 0.8922; n 20/D
   1.4382; 805 1.4775.530
3-Non<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>, b<sub>2</sub> 155°; d 20/4 0.8933; n 20/D 1.4819.<sup>530</sup>
(i-AmPrCH)_2S_2, b<sub>7</sub> 165-7°; d 20/4 0.8925; n 20/D 1.4819.530
(i-Am-i-PrCH)<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>, b<sub>1</sub> 148-56°; d 20/4 0.9128; n 20/D 1.4923.<sup>530</sup>
(Bu_2CH)_2S_2, b<sub>6</sub> 175–85°; d 20/4 0.8936; n 20/D 1.4841.<sup>530</sup>
(i-Bu<sub>2</sub>CH)<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>, b<sub>1</sub> 150°; d 20/4 0.8870; n 20/D 1.4795.<sup>530</sup>
(i-BuBuCH)<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>, b<sub>1</sub> 143-51°; d 20/4 0.9040; n 20/D 1.4820.<sup>530</sup>
(Me_3CCH_2CHMeCH_2CH_2)_2S_2, b_{0.4} 128–9°; d 20/4 0.901; n 25/D
   1.4803.129
Dec_2S_2, b_2 206-7°, b_7 210-2; d 20/4 0.8894,805 0.8907; n 20/D
   1.4813,<sup>530</sup> 1.4818.<sup>805</sup>
4-Dec<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>, d 20/4 0.8946; n 20/D 1.4815.<sup>530</sup>
(i-Bu-i-AmCH)<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>, b<sub>3</sub> 145-50°; d 20/4 0.8909; n 20/D 1.4765.<sup>530</sup>
(MeBu_2C)_2S_2, d 20/4 0.9135; n 20/D 1.487.530
(BuHexCH)<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>, b<sub>1</sub> 190-2°; d 20/4 0.8840; n 20/D 1.4811.530
(i-BuHexCH)<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>, b<sub>1</sub> 175-80°; d 20/4 0.8905; n 20/D 1.4820.<sup>530</sup>
(i-Am<sub>2</sub>CH)<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>, d 20/4 0.8873; n 20/D 1.4821.<sup>530</sup>
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 $Dodec_2S_2$, m. 34.5°, 651 34°, 251, 841 32°, 168 31°.72

Tridec₂S₂, m. 44°.²⁵¹

Tetradec₂S₂, m. 46°.²⁵¹

Cetyl₂S₂, m. 55.5°,^{34, 855} 54°,^{168, 251} 52°,⁷² 50.5°,²⁶² 50°; ²⁴⁶ dipole moment 2.00.⁸⁵⁵

Heptadec₂S₂, m. 60°.²⁵¹

Octadec₂S₂, m. 62.5°, 168, 251 56°.841

Nonadec₂S₂, m. 69°.²⁵¹

Allyl₂S₂, b. 174° with decomposition, b₄₈ 100°,^{85b} b₁₆ 78–80°,⁷²⁸ b_{13.8} 74.8°; d 25/4 0.9919,⁷²⁶ d_{14.8} 1.0237,⁷²⁸ d₁₅ 1.010; ^{85b} n 25/D 1.5312.⁷²⁶

 $(MeHC:CMeCH_2)_2S_2$, b_1 55-60°; d 26/4 0.975; n 20/D 1.530.18

(PrCH:CMeCHPr)₂S₂, n 20/D 1.502.¹⁸

(PhCH:CHCH₂)₂S₂, m. 90-5°, 493 89°.77

Cyclic Disulfides

Cyclopentyl₂S₂, b_{1.5} 105.5-6°, b₂ 110.5°, 812a b₅ 130.5-1.0°; d 20/4 1.0617; n 20/D 1.5478, 804b 1.5361. 812a

 $\begin{array}{l} {\rm Cyclohexyl_2S_2,\ b.\ 288^{\circ,510}\ b_{0.001}\ 100^{\circ,87}\ b_{0.01}\ 100^{\circ,732}\ b_{0.1}\ 106^{\circ,229}}\\ {\rm b_{0.2}\ 110-2^{\circ,575}\ b_{0.25}\ 130-1^{\circ,835a}\ b_{0.7}\ 110^{\circ,129}\ b_{1}\ 130^{\circ,835b}\ b_{1.5}}\\ 128-9^{\circ,812a}\ b_{7}\ 166-7^{\circ,804b}\ b_{15}\ 120-2^{\circ,864}\ b_{14}\ 125^{\circ;760b}\ d_{20}}\\ 1.0457,^{835a}\ d\ 20/4\ 1.0489;^{804b}\ n\ 20/D\ 1.5450^{\,812a}\ 1.5454,^{835a},^{835b}\\ 1.5462,^{87}\ 1.5482,^{804b}\ n\ 25/D\ 1.5462.^{129} \end{array}$

2-Mecyclohexyl₂S₂, trans b₁₅ 100-10°.864

3-Mecyclohexyl₂S₂, b₂₀ 198°; d₂₅ 0.9480; n 25/D 1.5050.^{557, 558} 2,2,6,6-Tetramethylcyclohexyl₂S₂, m. 59.5°.⁴⁵⁷

Ph₂S₂, m. 66.5°, ⁷³ 62°, ⁴⁴, ^{466a}, ⁴⁶⁹ 61.5°, ^{380b} 61°, ¹³¹, ³⁹², ⁵²⁶, ^{597a}, ⁵⁹⁹, ⁶³⁸, ^{662a}, ⁶⁸⁴, ^{741.5}, ^{778b}, ⁸⁵⁹ 60.5°, ^{244.5}, ²⁴⁵ 60.3°, ³²⁷ 60°, ²⁰², ³¹², ⁴⁴⁹, ⁴⁵¹, ^{787a}, ^{787d}, ⁸²⁵ 59°, ¹⁸² 53–6°; ⁷⁹¹ b. 310° , ¹⁴, ³¹⁷ b₆ 160–9°, ⁵²⁶ b₁₃ 187–9°, ⁴⁴⁹ b₁₄ 175–95°, ⁶⁸⁴ b₁₅ 190–2°; ¹⁴, ⁴⁵¹ d 20/4 1.353, ⁴⁴ d 118/4 1.110; ⁷³ dipole moment 1.90; ³²⁷ surface tension 39.03 at 79.1°, ^{37.29} at 96.8°; parachor 477.6, ⁷⁴ 477.9. ⁷³

 $(o-MeC_6H_4)_2S_2$, m. 39°,787d 38°.167

 $(m-\text{MeC}_6\text{H}_4)_2\text{S}_2$, m. -21° , 167 -22° . 391

 $(p-t-BuC_6H_4)_2S_2$, m. 89°.30

 $(2,5-Me_2C_6H_3)_2S_2$, m. $47^{\circ}.^{787d}$

 $(2,4,6-\text{Me}_3\text{C}_6\text{H}_2)_2\text{S}_2$, m. $125^{\circ}.^{30}$

 $(PhCH_2)_2$, m. 74°,67.5 72°,780 71.5°,394, 506 71°,73, 749, 791 70°,278

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67.5^{\circ}, 59168^{\circ}, 129\alpha- m. 62^{\circ}, \beta- m. 70^{\circ}; 367c d 100/4 1.085; para-
   chor 557.1,73 556.7.74
(PhCHMe)_2S_2 m. 58^{\circ},51,381a 56^{\circ},381c
(Ph_2CH)_2S_2, m. 153°, 152°. 75b, 760a
(Ph_3C)_2S_2, m. circa 155°.826a
(PhCH_2CH_2)_2S_2, b_{0.8} 172–5°, b_{1.5} 168–80°. 506
(PhCH<sub>2</sub>CHMe)<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>, b<sub>0.1</sub> 144°; d 20/4 1.072; n 24.5/D 1.5794.425
[\,\mathrm{Ph}\,(\mathrm{CH}_2)_{\,3}\,]_2\mathrm{S}_2,\ b_{0.03-0.04}\ 165-6^{\,\circ};\ n\ 20/\mathrm{D}\ 1.5877.^{812b}
[Ph(CH_2)_3CH_2]_2S_2, b_{0,2} 195°; n 20/D 1.5750.812b
[Ph(CH_2)_4CH_2]_2S_2, m. 24°.812b
(MeC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>, ortho, m. 85°; para, m. 43°.780
(p-PhC_6H_4)_2S_2, m. 150^{\circ}, ^{289} 50^{\circ}. ^{787d}
(\alpha-C_{10}H_7)_2S_2, m. 91^{\circ}, ^{476} 86^{\circ}, ^{787d} 85^{\circ}; ^{695}, ^{787a} b_{15} 290^{\circ}. ^{448}, ^{450}
(\beta-C_{10}H_7)_2S_2, m. 139^{\circ}, 53, 73, 157, 469, 741.5 137^{\circ}; 476 b_{15} 295-6^{\circ}; 14
   d 144/4 1.144; parachor 689.6,73 689.5.74
(\beta-C_{10}H_{17})_2S_2, decayddronaphthyl, b_{20} 230°; d_{25} 1.022; n 25/D
   1.5437.557
(2-C_4H_3O\cdot CH_2)_2S_2, b<sub>5</sub> 160–5°. 306
(2-C_4H_3S)_2S_2, m. 56^{\circ}. 127, 143, 534
(C_{10}H_{17})_2S_2, (thiobornyl), m. 121°,98 178°.389
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Hydroxy-, Alkoxy-, Aldo-, and Keto Disulfides

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(HOCHPh)_2S_2, m. 65°.78
(HOCH_2CH_2)_2S_2, m. 28°,436b 26°; b_{0.015} 106°,295 b_{0.8} 141–3°;436b
  di-p-nitrobenzoate, m. 145°.65
(HOCH_2CH_2CH_2)_2S_2, b_{0.8} 160^{\circ}, ^{739} b_{0.5} 136-40^{\circ}; di-3,5-dinitro-
  benzoate, m. 140°. 159
(HOCH_2CH_2CHMe)_2S_2, diAc., b<sub>3</sub> 158°. 121
[C_6H_8(OH)_5]_2S_2, (from thiosorbitol), m. 128°,463 128–30°.228
(m-HOC_6H_4)_2S_2, m. 95^{\circ}, ^{870a} 90^{\circ}. ^{833}
(p-HOC_6H_4)_2S_2, m. 152°, 508 151°; 476, 850 diAc., m. 91°, 508 89°; 476,
  870b Ac.-Bz., m. 100°; monoBz., m. 130°; diBz., m. 166°.508
(o-HOC_6H_4CH_2)_2S_2, m. 103.5^{\circ}.512
(2-HO-\alpha-C_{10}H_6)_2S_2, m. 169^{\circ},^{593} 166^{\circ};^{360} diAc., m. 140^{\circ}; diBz.,
  m. 187°.<sup>593</sup>
(4-HO-\alpha-C_{10}H_6)_2S_2, m. 152^{\circ}, 878 212^{\circ}; 6 diAc., m. 112^{\circ}. 878
(5-HO-\alpha-C_{10}H_6)_2S_2, m. 212°,657 200°;833diAc., m. 154°.657
(6-HO-\beta-C_{10}H_6)_2S_2, m. 221°; diAc., m. 168°.869
(MeOCH_2)_2S_2, b_{15} 115°; d 0/4 1.2083, d 22/4 1.1855; n 20/D
  1.5290.462
[(MeO)_2CHCH_2]_2S_2, b_{0.6} 101°; n 30/D 1.4868.603
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(EtOCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>, b<sub>15</sub> 150-2°, 680 b<sub>33</sub> 161°; d 20/4 1.0492.785
(EtOCHEtCH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>, b<sub>8</sub> 135°; d 20/4 0.9995.<sup>785</sup>
(PhOCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>, m. 97°,<sup>64</sup> 96°.<sup>429</sup>
(o-MeOC_6H_4)_2S_2, m. 120^{\circ}, ^{296a} 119^{\circ}. ^{167}, ^{337}
(m-\text{MeOC}_6\text{H}_4)_2\text{S}_2, m. 109^{\circ}.^{167}
(p-MeOC_6H_4)_2S_2, m. 45^{\circ}, ^{296a} 44^{\circ}, ^{787b} 119^{\circ}, ^{167} 73.5^{\circ}; d 100/4
   1.139; parachor 666.1,73 665.5.74
[2,4-({\rm MeO})_2{\rm C}_6{\rm H}_3]_2{\rm S}_2, m. 117^{\circ}.^{125}
[3,4-(MeO)_2C_6H_3]_2S_2, m. 89°.<sup>267</sup>
[3,4,5-(MeO)_2(EtO)C_6H_2]_2S_2, m. 84°.267
[2,5-(MeO)MeC_6H_3]_2S_2, m. 74°.364
[4,\!3\text{-}(\mathrm{MeO})\,\mathrm{MeC_6H_3}]_2\mathrm{S_2},\ m.\ 67\,^{\circ},^{767}\ 64.5\,^{\circ}.^{296a}
(o-EtOC_6H_4)_2S_2, m. 90°. 296a
(m-EtOC_6H_4)_2S_2, m. 43°.<sup>188</sup>
(p\text{-EtOC}_6\text{H}_4)_2\text{S}_2, m. 49^{\circ}, ^{296a} 48^{\circ}, ^{787d} 47^{\circ}. ^{787b}
(p-MeOC_6H_4CH_2)_2S_2, m. 101^{\circ}.512
(2-EtO-\alpha-C_{10}H_6)_2S_2, m. 158.5°.593
       CMe<sub>2</sub>O
                     CHCH<sub>2</sub> \begin{vmatrix} {}_{2}S_{2}, & {}_{b_{3}} & 165^{\circ}; & d & 20/4 & 1.1455; & n & 20/D \\ & 1.4998.^{748} & & & & \end{vmatrix}
       OCH<sub>2</sub>
(OCHCMe_2)_2S_2, b_1 100–10°.580
(o-OCHCH<sub>2</sub>SC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>, 2,4-dinitrophenylhydrazone, m. 164.5°.602
(MeCO)_2CHSSCH(COMe)_2, m. 91^{\circ}, 816 90^{\circ}.507
(PhCOCH_2)_2S_2, m. 81°.322
(MeCOCH_2CMe_2)_2S_2, b_{14} 170–80°.<sup>20</sup>
(p-\text{MeCOC}_6\text{H}_4)_2\text{S}_2, m. 100^{\circ}. 363, 793
[2,5-MeCO(MeO)C_6H_3]_2S_2, m. 153°.<sup>793</sup>
[4,3-MeCO(MeO)C_6H_3]_2S_2, m. 180^{\circ}.^{363}
[3,4-MeCO(HO)-\alpha-C_{10}H_5]_2S_2, m. 185^{\circ}.6
(\alpha-C_{14}H_7O_2)_2S_2, (anthraquinone), m. > 350°.296b
(\beta-C_{14}H_7O_2)_2S_2, m. 257°. <sup>296b</sup>
                                    (XC_{14}H_6O_2)_2S_2.^{296b}
        2-Me-, m. 247°.
                                                  4-p-MeC_6H_4-, m. > 330°.
                                               3.4-(HO)_2-, m. > 300^\circ.
         4-HO-, m. > 300^{\circ}.
         4-MeO-, m. 283°. 5-Cl-, m. > 360°.
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 $(F_3C)_2S_2$, b. 34.6°; heat vaporization 6880 cal./mole.¹⁰⁸ $(ClCH_2)_2S_2$, be 75-7°,²⁰⁰ b₁₀ 90°,¹¹⁴ b₁₅ 98.5-9.5°,¹⁸⁰ b₁₆ 45-6°,

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b_{760} 144-6°; 114.8 d 0/4 1.495, 200 d_{20} 1.499, 114 d 20/4 1.470; 200
   n 17/D 1.5894,<sup>180</sup> n 20/D 1.5863.<sup>200</sup>
(Cl_3C)_2S_2, b. 150–5°,670 b_{10} 130°.691
(ClCHMe)_2S_2, b<sub>9</sub> 84°. <sup>113.3</sup>
(ClCH_2CH_2)_2S_2, m. 1.0^{\circ}, ^{285} 0.2^{\circ}, ^{429} 0^{\circ}; ^{295} b. 170-80^{\circ}, ^{169} b<sub>0.3</sub>
   90-2^{\circ},^{429} b_{0.4} 97-8^{\circ},^{286} b_{0.5} 100^{\circ},^{295} b_{2} 83-8^{\circ},^{285} b_{10} 124-7^{\circ},^{184}
   b<sub>30</sub> 155°,64 b<sub>40</sub> 160-5°;611 d 11/4 1.599, d 19/4 1.344,330 d 20/4
   1.3375; 64, 184 n 20/D 1.5670, 285 1.5656. 286
ClCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>SSCH<sub>2</sub>CHMeCl, b<sub>1</sub> 74-4.5°; n 20/D 1.5518.<sup>282</sup>
(ClCHMeCH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>, b<sub>18-25</sub> 113-20°.<sup>165</sup>
(ClCH_2CHMe)_2S_2, b<sub>1</sub> 98–101°; n 20/D 1.5400.769
(ClCMe_2CHMe)_2S_2, b_{11} 150–60°.615
(BrCH_2CHMe)_2S_2, b<sub>1</sub> 114–7°; n 20/D 1.5838.<sup>769</sup>
(ICH_2CH_2)_2S_2, m. 42°.429
(ClCF_2CF_2)_2S_2, b. 141–2°.637
(ClCH_2CH_2CH_2)_2S_2, b<sub>1</sub> 113–15°; n 20/D 1.5450.768
(ClCH<sub>2</sub>CHClCH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>, b<sub>15</sub> 181°.615
(CF<sub>3</sub>CF<sub>2</sub>CF<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>, b. 122.2°; d 28/4 1.6940; n 28/D 1.3222.353
(ClCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>, b<sub>0.3</sub> 191–4°.824
(o-ClC_6H_4)_2S_2, m. 90^{\circ}.^{30, 265}
(p-\text{ClC}_6\text{H}_4)_2\text{S}_2, m. 73°,754 71.3°,663 71°,787a, 787d 71.5°;73, 741.5
   d 102/4 1.304; <sup>73</sup> parachor 550.1, <sup>74</sup> 550.6. <sup>73</sup>
(2,4-\text{Cl}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_3)_2\text{S}_2, m. 71^{\circ},^{578} 82.5^{\circ},^{31} 83^{\circ}.^{754}
(2,5-\text{Cl}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_3)_2\text{S}_2, m. 83^{\circ}, ^{298} 82^{\circ}. ^{546}, ^{767}
(2,4,6-\text{Cl}_3\text{C}_6\text{H}_2)_2\text{S}_2, m. 165^{\circ}.^{31}
(Cl_5C_6)_2S_2, m. 229°.788.5
(3,4-\text{ClMeC}_6\text{H}_3)_2\text{S}_2, m. 78^{\circ}.^{546}
(5,2-\text{ClMeC}_6\text{H}_3)_2\text{S}_2, m. 82.7°.16
(o\text{-ClC}_6H_4CH_2)_2S_2, m. 90^{\circ}, 149 87.5^{\circ}. 755b
(p-ClC_6H_4CH_2)_2S_2, m. 59°. 149, 404
(2,4-\text{Cl}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_3\text{CH}_2)_2\text{S}_2, m. 75°. 149
(3,4-\text{Cl}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_3\text{CH}_2)_2\text{S}_2, m. 95°. 149
(\alpha-5-ClC_{10}H_6)_2S_2, m. 170°.654
(\alpha-4-ClC_{10}H_6)_2S_2, m. 122^{\circ}.^{787a}, ^{787d}
(1,4-HOCl-\beta-C_{10}H_5)_2S_2, m. 147°; diAc., m. 148°.303
(o-BrC_6H_4)_2S_2, m. 98°.848
(m-BrC_6H_4)_2S_2, b_{0.4} 187–90°.848
(p-BrC_6H_4)_2S_2, m. 94.5^{\circ},^{244.5} 94^{\circ},^{741.5} 93.7^{\circ},^{327} 93.5^{\circ},^{392} 93^{\circ},^{663}
   <sup>787a, 787d</sup> 93.8°; d 115/4 1.647; <sup>73</sup> parachor 575.3, <sup>74</sup> 575.9. <sup>73</sup>
(2,4,6-Br_3C_6H_2)_2S_2, m. 132^{\circ}.^{787c}
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(2,4-BrMeC_6H_3)_2S_2, m. 100^{\circ}.^{872}
(3,4-BrMeC_6H_3)_2S_2, m. 88^{\circ}.^{872}
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 $(2,5,4-Br_2MeC_6H_2)_2S_2$, m. 170°.872

 $(p-BrC_6H_4CH_2)_2S_2$, m. 88°.403

 $(2,3,5-HOBrMeC_6H_2)_2S_2$, m. 77°; diBz., m. 131°.874

 $(4-Br-\alpha-C_{10}H_6)_2S_2$, m. $132^{\circ}.^{787a}$, 487d

 $(o-IC_6H_4)_2S_2$, m. 133°.42

 $(p-IC_6H_4)_2S_2$, m. 124°.52

 $(4,3-IMeC_6H_3)_2S_2$, m. $105^{\circ}.^{42}$

 $(\alpha-I-\beta-C_{10}H_6)_2S_2$, m. 154°.42

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 $(PhCH_2MeNCH_2)_2S_2$, HCl, m. 135°.78

 $(C_5H_{10}NCH_2)_2S_2$, m. 40°; HCl, m. 178°.78

 $(2-C_9H_6N)_2S_2$, m. $137^{\circ}.681$

 $(H_2NCH_2CH_2)_2S_2$, 2HCl, m. 216°, $^{703.7}$ 212.5°, 538 210°, 111 203°; 43 . 163 picrate 198–200°, 291 197°; 577 diBz., m. 132.5°, 217 132°. 163 . 291

(MeNHCH₂CH₂)₂S₂, 2HCl m. 205°; picrate, m. 158°.²⁸⁸

(Me₂NCH₂CH₂)₂S₂, MeI decomposes 230-5°.658

 $(Et_2NCH_2CH_2)_2S_2$, b_5 125–35°, 111 b_{10} 160°, 482 b_{20} 155–60°; 308 2HCl, m. 220°; 609 2HCl·2H₂O, m. 219°; 111 2HBr, m. 223°, 482 217°. 308

 $(PhCH_2NHCH_2CH_2)_2S_2$, m. 269°. 184

 $(p-O_2NC_6H_4SO_2NHCH_2CH_2)_2S_2$, m. 146°.472

 $(p-H_2NC_6H_4SO_2NHCH_2CH_2)_2S_2$, m. 129°; diAc., m. 196.5°.472

(H₂NCH₂CHMe)₂S₂, 2HCl, m. 214°; picrate, m. 163°.²⁹¹

(Me₂NCH₂CHMe)₂S₂, b₁₄ 151-4°; picrate, m. 159-66°; 2MeI, m. 208°.658

 $[(CH_2)_5NCH_2CHMe]_2S_2$, 2HCl, m. 226°.769

 $[o-C_6H_4(CO)_2NCH_2CHMe]_2S_2$, m. 161°.⁷²⁵

(H₂NCHMeCH₂)₂S₂, 2HCl, m. 212°; picrate, m. 201°; diBz., m. 170°.⁸⁹

 $(Bu_2NCH_2CMe_2)_2S_2$, 2HI, m. 176°.751

 $(Me_2NCH_2CHPh)_2S_2$, m. 146°. 111

(MeNHCHMeCHPh)₂S₂, 2HCl, m. 232°. 111

[MeNHCH₂CH(C₆H₄OH-m)]₂S₂, m. 156°; 2HCl, m. 219°; 2HBr, m. 186°; diAc., m. 150°. 111

 $[MeNHCH_2CH(C_6H_3(OH)_2-3,4)]_2S_2$, m. 138°; sulfate, m. 190°. 111

[HCO(PhCH₂)NCMe:CH]₂S₂, m. 98°.⁷⁸⁶

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(H<sub>2</sub>NCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>, 2HCl, m. 219°,<sup>290, 471</sup> 222°; 2HBr, m.
   232°; picrate, m. 148°; 472 diBz., m. 122°.471
(Et<sub>2</sub>NCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>, b<sub>25</sub> 175–7°; 2HCl, m. 221°.<sup>308</sup>
[(CH_2)_5NCH_2CH_2CH_2]_2S_2, 2HCl, m. 212°.768
(p-H_2NC_6H_4SO_2NHCH_2CH_2CH_2)_2S_2, diAc., m. 163°.472
[H_2N(CH_2)_4CH_2]_2S_2, b<sub>1</sub> 135–40°; diBz., m.
                                                                 133°.<sup>249</sup>
[Me_2N(CH_2)_5CH_2]_2S_2, b_{0.02} 130°; 2MeI, m. 196°.554
(o-H_2NC_6H_4)_2S_2, m. 93°, 377, 588, 618, 850 92.2°, 692 92°, 96 91°, 294
   88°; 607, 789 picrate, m. 141°; 370 diformate, m. 161°; 808 diAc.,
   m. 169°,588 167.5°,618 155°,789 154°; 325 diBz., m. 141°.541
(o-EtO_2CCONHC_6H_4)_2S_2, m. 104°. 95a
(o-HO_2CCH_2CH_2CONHC_6H_4)_2S_2, m. 175°,618 168°.95a
(o-HO_2CCH_2CH_2CH_2CONHC_6H_4)_2S_2, m. 156°.95a
(o-cis-HO<sub>2</sub>CCH:CHCONHC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>, m. 201°. 95a
(o-2-C_4H_3O\cdot CONHC_6H_4)_2S_2, m. 160.5°.95a
(o-\alpha-C_4H_3S\cdot CONHC_6H_4)_2S_2, m. 154°. 95a
o-C_6H_4(CONHC_6H_4)_2S_2, m. 219°.95a
(o-H_2NCO\cdot CONHC_6H_4)_2S_2, m. 240°.95a
(o-\text{PhNHCO-CONHC}_6\text{H}_4)_2\text{S}_2, m. 230°.95a
(o-PhCH:NC_6H_4)_2S_2, m. 140°.94
(o-HOC_6H_4CH:NC_6H_4-o)_2S_2, m. 171°.94
(o-\alpha-C_4H_3O\cdot CH:NC_6H_4)_2S_2, m. 134.5°.94
(o-MeNHC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>, m. 68°; <sup>346</sup>, <sup>431</sup>, <sup>641</sup> 2HI, m. 110°; picrate,
  m. 140°; 431 diformate, m. 108°.539, 641
(o-EtNHC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>, m. 72°; <sup>431</sup> diformate, m. 115°. <sup>539</sup>
(o-PhCH<sub>2</sub>NHC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>, m. 104°. 431
(o-HO_2CCH_2NHC_6H_4)_2S_2, m. 175°.431
[2,5-H_2N(MeO)C_6H_3]_2S_2, m. 76°; diAc., m. 203°.371
[2,4,5-H_2N (MeO)_2C_6H_2]_2S_2, m. 175°.<sup>270</sup>
[2,5-H_2N(EtO)C_6H_3]_2S_2, m. 101^{\circ}.^{418}
[2,5-H_2N(NC)C_6H_3]_2S_2, m. 188°.96
(2,3-H<sub>2</sub>NMeC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>, m. 84°; picrate 134°; 2HCl, m. 197°.<sup>370</sup>
(2,5-H_2NMeC_6H_3)_2S_2, m. 89°; diAc., m. 206°. 406
(2,5-MeHNMeC_6H_3)_2S_2, m. 86^{\circ}.641
(2.6-H_2NMeC_6H_3)_2S_2, m. 127^{\circ}.92^{\circ}
[2,4-(H_2N)_2C_6H_3]_2S_2, m. 148°. 149
[2,4,5-(H_2N)_2(AcNH)C_6H_2]_2S_2, 2HCl, m. 298°.408
(m-H_2NC_6H_4)_2S_2, m. 60^{\circ}, ^{243} 52^{\circ}; ^{876} diAc., m. 213^{\circ}, ^{242} 210^{\circ}. ^{876}
(m-\text{Me}_2\text{NC}_6\text{H}_4)_2\text{S}_2, b<sub>16</sub> 162–6°; 2MeI, m. 186°.876
[3,4-(H_2N)_2C_6H_3]_2S_2, m. 151°.850
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(3,4-H_2NMeC_6H_3)_2S_2, m. 82°; diAc., m. 239°.240
(5,2-H_2NMeC_6H_3)_2S_2, m. 94°.877
(p-H_2NC_6H_4)_2S_2, m. 82°, 476 80°, 378, 734 79°, 698 77°, 176, 367d 76°, 623b,
  850 75°; 70 2HCl, m. 225°; 50, 369 diAc., m. 218°, 239, 814 217°, 176,
  698 216°, 248 215°, 70, 314, 367c, 367d, 427, 873 214°, 476 205°; 734 α- m.
  184^{\circ},^{314} 182^{\circ},^{314},^{367c},^{367d},^{378},^{427} 180^{\circ},^{873} +1H_2O, m. 122^{\circ},
  +\frac{1}{2}H_2O, m. 130°; diBz., m. 264°. 367°c
(p-H_2NCONHC_6H_4)_2S_2, m. 205°.850
(p-PhNHCONHC_6H_4)_2S_2, m. 286–9°.850
(p-PhNHCSNHC_6H_4)_2S_2, m. 157.5°.850
(p-H_2C:NC_6H_4)_2S_2, m. 60–79°.850
(p-HO_2CCH_2NHC_6H_4)_2S_2, m. 189°.850
[p-(p-H_2NC_6H_4SO_2NH)C_6H_4]_2S_2, m. 220°; diAc., m. 171°.850
(p-MeNHC_6H_4)_2S_2, 2HCl, m. 163°.850
(p-Me_2NC_6H_4)_2S_2, m. 118°. 17, 243, 469, 476, 531, 850
(p-\text{Et}_2\text{NC}_6\text{H}_4)_2\text{S}_2, m. 72^{\circ}.^{383}
(4,3-H_2NClC_6H_3)_2S_2, m. 147^{\circ}.67^2
(4,2-H_2NMeC_6H_3)_2S_2, m. 113.5°; 2HCl, m. 213°.850
(4,3-H_2NMeC_6H_3)_2S_2, m. 112^\circ; ^{368a}, ^{370}, ^{850} diAc., m. 225^\circ; ^{368a}
  picrate, m. 179°.370
[4,3-H_2N(MeO)C_6H_3]_2S_2, m. 88°; <sup>371, 850</sup> diAc., m. 136°. <sup>371</sup>
[4,3-H_2N(H_2NSO_2)C_6H_3]_2S_2, m. 247°.850
(H_2NCH_2CH_2C_6H_4)_2S_2, HCl, m. 340.5°; Bz., m. 201°.428
(o-H_2NC_0H_4CH_2)_2S_2, m. 91^{\circ},^{292} propionate, m. 191^{\circ},^{430}
(p-H_2NC_6H_4CH_2)_2S_2, m. 98°; Ac., m. 174°.799
(p-Me_2NC_6H_4CH_2)_2S_2, m. 83.5°; HCl, m. 211°.512
[(p-Me_2NC_6H_4)_2CH]_2S_2, m. 164°.67.5
(4-H_2N-\alpha-C_{10}H_6)_2S_2, m. 168°; diAc., m. 265°.879
(8-H_2N-\alpha-C_{10}H_6)_2S_2, m. 118°.654
(4-H_2N-\alpha-C_{14}H_6O_2)_2S_2, (anthraquinone), m. > 300°.296b
(4-MeNH-\alpha-C_{14}H_6O_2)_2S_2, m. 280°. 296b
(5-MeNH-\alpha-C_{14}H_6O_2)_2S_2, m. 321°.<sup>296b</sup>
(4-\text{Me}_2\text{N}-\alpha-\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_6\text{O}_2)_2\text{S}_2, m. 220° with decomposition.<sup>296b</sup>
(5-Me_2N-\alpha-C_{14}H_6O_2)_2S_2, m. 272°. 296b
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 $(o-O_2NC_6H_4S^{\bullet})_2$, m. $199^{\circ},^{871}$ $198^{\circ},^{176}$. 268 . 347 . 469 $196^{\circ},^{494}$. 880 $195^{\circ},^{85c}$. 85d . 218 . 486 . 541 . 789 $193^{\circ},^{561}$ $150^{\circ},^{875}$ parachor 665.3 at $125^{\circ}.^{74}$

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(m-O_2NC_6H_4S^{\bullet})_2, m. 84°, 106, 476 83°, 157 82°. 252, 480
(p-O_2NC_6H_4S)_2, m. 184^{\circ},^{327} 182^{\circ},^{279} 181^{\circ},^{66},^{107}. ^{140}. ^{268}, ^{547}, ^{846}.
  ^{875} 180.5^{\circ}, ^{39} 180^{\circ}, ^{284}, ^{375} 170^{\circ}, ^{476} 2 forms, m. 181^{\circ} and 170^{\circ},
  transition 134^{\circ};<sup>218</sup> dipole moment 4.31 \times 10^{-18.327}
(p-O_2NC_6H_4)_2S^{35}_2, 3 forms, m. 134°, 165°, and 179°.
[2,4-(O_2N)_2C_6H_3]_2S_2, m. 280°.<sup>218</sup>
[3,5-(O_2N)_2C_6H_3]_2S_2, m. 177.5°.443
(2,4-O_2NClC_6H_3)_2S_2, m. 212.8^{\circ}, ^{218} 212^{\circ}, ^{85d}, ^{375}, ^{868} 213^{\circ}. ^{61}
(4,3-O_2NClC_6H_3)_2S_2, m. 129^{\circ}.672
(5,2-O_2NClC_6H_3CH_2)_2S_2, m. 155.5°.755b
(2,4,6-O_2NCl_2C_6H_2)_2S_2, m. 190°.85e
(2,4-O_2NBrC_6H_3)_2S_2, m. 174°.<sup>218</sup>
[2,4-O_2N(H_2N)C_6H_3]_2S_2, m. 222°.561
[3,4-O_2N(H_2N)C_6H_3]_2S_2, m. 169^{\circ}.^{144,850}
[4,2-O_2N(H_2N)C_6H_3]_2S_2, m. 178°; diAc., m. 263°; diBz., m.
  215°.267
[4,3-O_2N(H_2N)C_6H_3]_2S_2, Ac., m. 193°. 371
[5,2-O_2N(H_2N)C_6H_3]_2S_2, m. 237°,405 222°.96
[2,5,4-O_2N(HO)ClC_6H_2]_2S_2, m. 277°; diAc., m. 194°. 266
[2,4,5-O_2N (MeO)_2C_6H_2]_2S_2, m. 227°.<sup>270</sup>
[4,2-O_2N(PhCH_2O)C_6H_3]_2S_2, m. 161°.<sup>10</sup>
[4,5-O_2N (MeS) C_6H_3]_2S_2, m. 217°.371
[5,2-O_2N(p-MeC_6H_4S)C_6H_3]_2S_2, m. 154°.<sup>267</sup>
(2,4-O_2NMeC_6H_3)_2S_2, m. 175°.363
(2,6-O_2NMeC_6H_3)_2S_2, m. 149°.92b
(5.2-O_2NMeC_6H_3)_2S_2, m. 148°.443
(3,4-O_2NMeC_6H_3)_2S_2, m. 82^{\circ}.^{240}
(4,2-O_2NMeC_6H_3)_2S_2, m. 188^{\circ}.^{612}
(4,3-O_2NMeC_6H_3)_2S_2, m. 163^{\circ}.^{370}
(o-O_2NC_6H_4CH_2)_2S_2, m. 112.0^{\circ}, 73 109.5^{\circ}, 626 47^{\circ}; 409 d 115/4
  1.308; parachor 665.7.73
(m-O_2NC_6H_4CH_2)_2S_2, m. 104^{\circ},^{496} 103^{\circ}.^{626}
(p-O_2NC_6H_4CH_2)_2S_2, m. 126.5°, 386, 626 126°.786
(2-O_2N-\alpha-C_{10}H_6)_2S_2, m. 176°.372
(4-O_2N-\alpha-C_{10}H_6)_2S_2, m. 189^{\circ}.^{372}
(5-O_2N-\alpha-C_{10}H_6)_2S_2, m. 233°.374
(8-O_2N-\alpha-C_{10}H_6)_2S_2, m. 214°.654
(1-O_2N-\beta-C_{10}H_6)_2S_2, m. 190°. 372
(7-O_2N-\beta-C_{10}H_6)_2S_2, m. 265°.374
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24-	$(O_{\alpha}N)$	$_{2}C_{6}H_{4}SS$	(CH^2)	SSC.H.	(NO_a)	10-24
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2	203°	7	127°
3	160°	8	153°
4	195°	9	115°
5	148°	10	147°
6	160°	12	142°

 $S(CH_2CH_2SSC_6H_3(NO_2)_2-2,4)_2$, m. 148°.320

Unsymmetrical Disulfides

 $MeSSCCl_3$, b_{13} 77–8°; d_{25} 1.526; n 15/D 1.575.30

MeSSEt, m. -89.83°; 79 b. 129.7°, 520 135°, $^{113.7}$ b₅₇ 58°; 79 d₂₀ 1.0224, 79 d 20/4 1.025; n 20/D 1.5145, 520 1.5146. 79

MeSSBu, b₂₂ 77.5-8.5°.436a, 436b

MeSSCMe3, m. -51.197° ; b₄₂ 69°; d₂₀ 0.9629; n 20/D 1.4975.⁷⁹

 $MeSSC_8H_{17}$, $b_{0.3}$ 65-8°.436b

MeSSCH₂CH₂OH, b₂₀ 112.5-3.5°.436b

 $MeSSC_{10}H_{17}$, fenchyl, b_{20} 146–8°.457

ClCH₂SSEt, b₈ 56°, b₁₅ 73–4°,²⁰⁰ b₁₆ 93–100°; ^{114.5} d 0/4 1.258, d 20/4 1.230; n 20/D 1.5428.²⁰⁰

ClCH₂SSPh, b₆ 127–9°; d 0/4 1.342, d 20/4 1.323; n 20/D 1.6290.²⁰⁰

Cl₂CHSSEt, b₁₃ 87°; d 0/4 1.377, d 20/4 1.353; n 20/D 1.5513. 200

Cl₃CSSEt, b₁₄ 91–2°,³⁰ b₅ 82°, b₂₀ 100°; d 0/4 1.475, d 20/4 1.452,²⁰⁰ d₂₅ 1.439; n 15/D 1.561,³⁰ n 20/D 1.5571.²⁰⁰

Cl₃CSSPr, b₁₂ 104-4.5°; d₂₅ 1.374; n 15/D 1.548.30

 $Cl_3CSSCHMe_2$, b_{30} 116.5–7°; d_{25} 1.360; n 18/D 1.546.30

Cl₃CSSBu, b_{10.5} 118-9°; d₂₅ 1.321; n 25/D 1.538.³⁰

 $Cl_3CSSCMe_3$, b_{r2} 107-8°; d_{25} 1.317; n 25/D 1.540.30

 $Cl_3CSSCH_2CH:CH_2$, $b_{10.5}$ 100–1°; d_{25} 1.414; n 15/D 1.570.30

 $Cl_3CSSCEt_2Me, b_4$ 118–20°; d_{25} 1.278; n 25/D 1.541.30

Cl₃CSSC₆H₁₁, b₁₄ 156-8°; d₂₅ 1.400; n 25/D 1.563.30

Cl₃CSSPh, b₄ 123-6°; d₂₅ 1.447; n 25/D 1.623.30

Cl₃CSSCH₂Ph, b₅ 153-8°; d₂₅ 1.411; n 25/D 1.613.³⁰

 $Cl_3CSSC_6H_4Me-o$, b_4 150.5-1.5°; d_{20} 1.403; n 15/D 1.618.30

 $Cl_3CSSC_6H_4Me-m$, $b_{2.5}$ 139.5-40°; d_{25} 1.405; n 15/D 1.618.30

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Cl_3CSSC_6H_4Me-p, b_3 141-4°; d_{25} 1.400; n 25/D 1.617.30
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 $Cl_3CSSC_6H_4CMe_3-p$, b_2 151-3°; d_{25} 1.286; n 15/D 1.591.30

Cl₃CSSC₆H₄Cl-o, b₆ 170.5-2°; n 20/D 1.635.30

 $Cl_3CSSC_6H_4Cl-p$, m. 56.5°; b₂ 154–5°.30

 $Cl_3CSSC_6H_4NO_2-o$, m. $70.5^{\circ}.3^{\circ}$

 $Cl_3CSSC_6H_4NO_2-m$, b₂ 132-3°; d₂₀ 1.292; n 15/D 1.607.³⁰

 $Cl_3CSSC_6H_4NO_2-p$, m. 67°.30

EtSSCH₂CHCl₂, b₂ 103-5°.439

EtSSPr, b. 172.6°,⁵²⁰ 173°; ⁵⁰⁰ d 20/4 0.9739,⁵²⁰ 0.9746, d 25/4 0.9700; n 20/D 1.5019,⁵⁰⁰ 1.5014,⁵²⁰ n 25/D 1.4995.⁵⁰⁰

EtSSCHMe₂, b. 165°; d 20/4 0.9661, d 25/4 0.9613; n 20/D 1.4988, n 25/D 1.4963.⁵⁰⁰

EtSSBu, b. 193°; d 20/4 0.9594, d 25/4 0.9548; n 20/D 1.4984, n 25/D 1.4961.⁵⁰⁰

EtSSCH₂CHMe₂, b. 184°; d 20/4 0.9543, d 25/4 0.9497; n 20/D 1.4951, n 25/D 1.4926.⁵⁰⁰

EtSSCHMeEt, b. 181°; d 20/4 0.9603, d 25/4 0.9556; n 20/D 1.4986, n 25/D 1.4964.500

EtSSCMe₃, m. -66.71°; b. 175°, 500 b₉₀ 66°, b₉₃ 68°, b₉₇ 80°; 666 d 20/4 0.9471, d 25/4 0.9425; n 20/D 1.4942, n 25/D 1.4916. 500 EtSSPh, b₁₅ 126°. $^{113.7}$

EtSSC₁₀H₇-β, b₂ 162°.469

EtSSCH₂SEt, b₁₆ 125-7°. 114.5

EtSSCH₂SPh, m. 52°; b₁₄ 198-200°. 114.5

PrSSCHMe₂, b. 184°; d 20/4 0.9506, d 25/4 0.9462; n 20/D 1.4943, n 25/D 1.4920.⁵⁰⁰

PrSSCH₂CH:CH₂, b₁₆ 66-69°; d₁₅ 1.0231.⁷²⁸

BuSSPh, b_3 82–3°, 401 b_{12} 140–5°. $^{113.7}$

s-BuSSCH₂CH:CH₂, b₁₀ 82-4°.514

t-BuSSCMe₂Et, 2 phases, m. –58.231° and –58.197°; b₁₃ 97°; d₂₀ 0.9291; n 20/D 1.4943.⁷⁹

 $t\text{-BuSSC}_{10}H_7\text{-}\beta$, m. 53°.660, 666

 $HO(CH_2)_6SS(CH_2)_6Cl, b_{0.1} 193-5^\circ; n 22/D 1.525.824$

 $HO(CH_2)_6SS(CH_2)_6CN$, $b_{0.7}$ 212-7°; n 19.5°D 1.529.824

PhSSCH₂COMe, b_{0.4} 102-3°.400

PhSSCH₂COBu, b_{0.2} 125-30°.400

PhSSC₆H₄COMe, m. 60°.464

 $PhSSC_6H_4NO_2-o, m. 55^{\circ},^{469, 494} 50^{\circ}.^{176, 464}$

PhSSC₆H₄NO₂-m, oil.464

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PhSSC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>-p, m. 58.5°, <sup>176</sup> 58°. <sup>464</sup>
PhSSC_6H_3(NO_2)-2,4, m. 87^{\circ}.^{176}
PhSSC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>OH-p, Bz., m. 104.5°. 508
PhSSC_6H_4SO_2Me, m. 55^{\circ}.^{464}
PhSSC<sub>10</sub>H<sub>7</sub>-\beta, m. 76°, 469 67.5°. 221.5
PhCH<sub>2</sub>SSC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>-o, m. 54°,<sup>250</sup> 55°.<sup>469</sup>
PhCH<sub>2</sub>SSC<sub>14</sub>H<sub>9</sub>-9, (anthracene), m. 128°.<sup>250</sup>
o-\text{MeC}_6\text{H}_4\text{SSC}_6\text{H}_4\text{NO}_2-o, m. 103.5°. 176
o\text{-MeC}_6H_4SSC_6H_4NO_2-p, m. 84.5°. 176
o\text{-MeC}_6H_4SSC_6H_3(NO_2)_2-2,4, m. 100.5°. 178
o-MeC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>SSC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>OH-p, Bz., m. 69.5°.508
o\text{-MeC}_6H_4\mathrm{SSC}_6H_3(\mathrm{NHAc})\mathrm{Cl}\text{-}4,3,\ \mathrm{m.\ 100}^{\circ}.^{176}
m-\text{MeC}_6\text{H}_4\text{SSC}_6\text{H}_4\text{NO}_2-o, \text{ m. } 75.5^{\circ}.^{176}
m-\text{MeC}_6\text{H}_4\text{SSC}_6\text{H}_3(\text{NO}_2)_2-2.4, m. 75.5°.176
m-\text{MeC}_6\text{H}_4\text{SSC}_6\text{H}_4\text{OH}-p, Bz., m. 76°. 508
m\text{-MeC}_6H_4SS_6H_3(NHAc)Cl-4,3, m. 94.5^{\circ}.^{176}
p-\text{MeC}_6\text{H}_4\text{SSC}_6\text{H}_4\text{NO}_2-o, m. 74°. 176
p-\text{MeC}_6\text{H}_4\text{SSC}_6\text{H}_4\text{NO}_2-p, m. 62.5°.178
p\text{-MeC}_6H_4SSC_6H_3(NO_2)_2-2,4, m. 115°. 176
p\text{-MeC}_{6}\text{H}_{4}\text{SSC}_{6}\text{H}_{4}\text{OH}-p, Bz., m. 116.5°.508
p-\text{MeC}_6\text{H}_4\text{SSC}_6\text{H}_3(\text{NHAc})\text{Cl-4,3, m. }114^{\circ}.^{176}
o-O<sub>2</sub>NC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>SSCHPhCHPhCl, m. 118.5°.347
o-O<sub>2</sub>NC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>SSCH:CPh<sub>2</sub>, m. 121.5°.<sup>347</sup>
o-O<sub>2</sub>NC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>SSCH<sub>2</sub>COMe, m. 112°.<sup>347</sup>
o-O<sub>2</sub>NC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>SSCH<sub>2</sub>COPh, m. 84.5°.<sup>847</sup>
o-O<sub>2</sub>NC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>SSC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>10</sub>Cl-2, m. 83.5°.<sup>847</sup>
o-O<sub>2</sub>NC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>SSC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>-2,5, m. 116°. 116°.
o-O_2NC_6H_4SSC_6H_3Br_2-2.5, m. 138°. 116
o-O_2NC_6H_4SSC_6H_4NO_2-p, m. 159.6°.494
o-O_2NC_6H_4SSC_6H_3(NO_2)_2-2,4, m. 176°.494
o-O<sub>2</sub>NC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>SSC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>OH-p, m. 151.5,<sup>847</sup> 138°; Ac., m. 67°; Bz., m.
    114°.508
o-O_2NC_6H_4SSC_6H_4NMe_2-p, m. 117°.468, 469
o-O_2NC_6H_4SS-\alpha-C_{10}H_6OH-2, m. 147°.347
o\text{-O}_2\mathrm{NC}_6\mathrm{H}_4\mathrm{SSC}_{14}\mathrm{H}_{9}\text{-}\alpha, (anthracene), m. 151°.347
m-O_2NC_6H_4SSC_6H_3Cl_2-2.5, m. 91°.742
m-O_2NC_6H_4SSC_6H_3(NO_2)_2-2,4, m. 145°.464
p-O_2NC_6H_4SSC_6H_3(NO_2)_2-2,4, m. 162°.464
p-NO_2C_6H_4SSC_6H_4OH-p, m. 119°.508
2,4-(NO_2)_2C_6H_3SSC_6H_3Cl_2-2,4, m. 140^{\circ}.754
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 $p\text{-HOC}_6H_4SSC_{14}H_7O_2$ -β, (anthraquinone), m. 193°, Bz., m. 156.5°.508 α-C₁₀H₇SSC₁₀H₇-β, b₁₅ 290–1°.¹⁴

Some Miscellaneous Disulfides

 $S_2(CH_2CH_2SH)_2$, b. 258°, b_{40} 180°.649 $S_2(CH_2CH_2SCH_2Ph)_2$, m. 70°.276 $S_2[CH_2(CH_2)_5SCN]_2$, $b_{0.15}$ 201–17°; n 20/D 1.5361.824 $S_2(C_6H_4CN-p)_2$, m. 173°.50, 503 $S_2(C_6H_4SO_2Me-p)_2$, m. 188°,126 190–2°.97.5 Cholesteryl disulfide, m. 144.5°; $[\alpha]_D$ -41.78°.828

Disulfide Acids

 $S_2(CH_2COOH)_2$, m. 109° , 380c 108° , 75a , 627a 103° , 775b 100° ; 85b , 435b K 0.065; 380b, 594 amide, m. 158.5°, 5 155°, 435b 149°; 380a anilide, m. 164°, 326 161°, 55 160°; 716 N-methylanilide, m. 81°, 668 toluides, ortho, m. 165°; meta, m. 163°; para, m. 182°; 55 naphthalide, α- m. 206°; β- m. 198°; 668 Me ester b₁₄ 154°; 627a d 16/4 1.2905, d 25/4 1.2809; n 16/D 1.51517, n 25/D 1.51137; 627d Et ester b. 280°, 435 b₁₄ 164°; 627a d 16/4 1.2036, d 25/4 1.1945; n 16/D 1.50085, n 25/D 1.4979; 627d Pr ester b_{0.1} 104-6°,564 b₈ 177-80°; 224 d 25/4 1.1348; n 25/D 1.4903; 564 i-Pr ester b_{0.1} 91-3°; d 25/4 1.1208; n 25/D 1.4838; ⁵⁶⁴ Bu ester b_{0.1} 121.5°; d 25/4 1.0986; n 25/D 1.4870; ⁵⁶⁴ i-Bu ester $b_{0.1}$ 112-4°, 564 b_2 173; 224 d 25/4 1.0905; n 25/D 1.4839; 564 Oct ester b_{0.5} 202-7°; ^{224, 564} d 25/4 1.0067; n 25/D 1.4780; ⁵⁶⁴ Dodec ester d 25/4 0.9660; n 25/D 1.4769; 564 Tetradec ester, m. 35°; 224, 564 Hexadec ester, m. 44.5°; 224, 564 Octadec ester, m. 52.5°; 564 Cyclohexyl ester, m. 56°; 224, 564 MeOCH₂CH₂ester b_{0.3} 150-4°; d 25/4 1.2302; n 25/D 1.4990; ⁵⁶⁴ Choline iodide ester, m. 157°.326

S₂(CHMeCOOH)₂, m. 142°, ^{491b}, ^{627a} 140°, ^{75a} 135°; ⁵⁴², ^{775b} DL, m. 150°, ^{701b} 149°, 148.5°, meso, m. 119°; active, m. 117.5°; ^{261c} D form, m. 116.5°, [α] 15/D 60.5°; ^{491d} K 0.090; ^{491a} anilide, m. 160°; ⁵⁵ Et ester b₁₄ 159°; ^{627a} d 16/4 1.1398, d 25/4 1.1308; n 16/D 1.49222, n 25/D 1.48822. ^{627d}

 $S_2(CHEtCOOH)_2$, anilide, m. 110°; toluide, o- m. 139°, m- m. 146°, p- m. 149°; ⁵⁵ Et ester b_{22} 187°; ^{627a} d 16/4 1.0992, d 25/4 1.0909; n 16/D 1.48753, n 25/D 1.48412.627d

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S_2(CMe_2COOEt)_2, b_{19} 196°; ^{627a} d 16/4 1.1065, ^{627d} d 25/4 1.0980;
  n 16/D 1.48926, n 25/D 1.48567.627d
S_2(CHPrCOOH)_2, m. 56°.697
S_2[CH(CHMe_2)COOEt]_2, b_{12} 173°; ^{627a} d 16/4 1.0680; d 25/4
   1.0602; n 16/D 1.48423, n 25/D 1.48076.<sup>627d</sup>
S_2[CH(C_6H_{13})COOH]_2, oil<sup>214</sup>
S_2[CH(C_8H_{17})COOH]_2, m. 37°. 214
S_2[CH(C_{10}H_{21})COOH]_2, m. 48°. 214, 579
S_2[CH(C_{12}H_{25})COOH]_2, m. 56°.214
S_2[CH(C_{14}H_{27})COOH]_2, m. 63°.<sup>214</sup>
S_2[CH(C_{16}H_{33})COOH]_2, m. 72^{\circ}, ^{214} 71^{\circ}. ^{210}
S_2[CH(CH_2Ph)COOH]_2, m. 107°.76
S_2(CH_2CH_2COOH)_2, m. 157^{\circ}, ^{382} 156^{\circ}, ^{393} 155^{\circ}, ^{75a}, ^{381d}, ^{542}, ^{627a}
   154°; 7756 K 0.0090; 491a Et ester b<sub>17</sub> 194°; 627a d 16/4 1.1532,
  d 25/4 1.1444; n 16/D 1.49650, n 25/D 1.49282; 627d amide,
   m. 180°.381d
S_2(CH_2CH_2COSCH_2CH_2COOH)_2, m. 134°.381d
S_2(CH_2CHMeCOOH)_2, m. 87°.461
S_2(CH:CMeCOOH)_2, m. 194°. 511
α,α'-Dithiodibutyrolactone, m. 115°.33
S_2(CHMeCH_2COOH)_2, m. 117°.492
S_2(CHEtCH_2COOH)_2, m. 62^{\circ}.697
S_2(CH_2CH_2CH_2COOH)_2, m. 110^{\circ}, 382 109^{\circ}, 32b, 287, 750 105^{\circ}; 775b
   diamide, m. 167°.287
S_2(CHMeCH_2CH_2COOH)_2, m. 121°.697
S_2(CMe_2CH_2CH_2COOH)_2, m. 85^{\circ}. 750
S_2[(CH_2)_4COOH]_2, m. 90°.697
S_2[(CH_2)_5COOH]_2, m. 83^{\circ}.^{399}
S_2[(CH_2)_{10}COOH]_2, m. 106^{\circ},^{49} 92^{\circ}.^{168}
S_2[CH(COOMe)_2]_2, m. 131°.852
S<sub>2</sub>[CH(COOH)CH<sub>2</sub>COOH]<sub>2</sub>, L-acid, m. 168°, [α] 17/D -272.9°
   (absolute alcohol) -269.3° (acetone), -290.5° (H<sub>2</sub>O); p-acid,
   m. 168^{\circ}, [a] 17/D\ 272.8^{\circ} (absolute alcohol) 270.2 (acetone). 380d
S_2[CH(COOH)CH_2CH_2CH_2COOH]_2, m. 180°. 260
S<sub>2</sub>[CMe(COOH)<sub>2</sub>]<sub>2</sub>, N-methylamide, m. 200°, mono-o-toluide,
   m. 208°; ditoluide ortho, m. 174°, para 225°.568
PhSSCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>Et, b<sub>0.5</sub> 90°.401
o-O<sub>2</sub>NC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>SSCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 120°.<sup>347</sup>
o-O<sub>2</sub>NC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>SSCH (COMe) CO<sub>2</sub>Et, m. 83°.<sup>347</sup>
o-HOOCC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>SSCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, m. 183°.<sup>744</sup>
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S_2(C_6H_4COOH-o)_2, m. 302-5^{\circ}, 310 289^{\circ}, 296a, 413 288^{\circ}, 622 286^{\circ}, 305,
   447 285°; 395c piperidine salt, m. 205-9°, 15 215.4; 16 diMe ester,
   m. 132°.305, 310, 416.7
S_2(C_6H_4CONHEt-o)_2, m. 203°.46
S_2(C_6H_4CONHCH_2Ph-o)_2, m. 206°.46
S_2(C_6H_4CONHCOPh-o)_2, m. 189°. 398
[4,2-Cl(HOOC)C_6H_3]_2S_2, m. 316-20^{\circ},^{350} 330^{\circ}.^{416.7}
[2,\!4,\!6\text{-Cl}_2(\mathrm{HOOC})\,\mathrm{C_6H_2}]_2\mathrm{S_2},\ \mathrm{m.}\ 263^{\circ},^{350}\ 263.5^{\circ}.^{794}
[4,2-Br(HOOC)C_6H_3]_2S_2, m. 310^{\circ}.563
[5,2-O_2N(HOOC)C_6H_3]_2S_2, m. 278°,<sup>763</sup> 274°; diEt ester, m.
   179°.731
[2,3,6-(MeO)_2(HOOC)C_6H_2]_2S_2, m. 185^{\circ}.677
[3,4,2-(MeO)_2(HOOC)C_6H_2]_2S_2, m. 129°. 677
[4,2-H_2N(HOOC)C_6H_3]_2S_2, m. 207.5°; diEt ester, m. 197.5°.850
S_2(C_6H_4COOH-m)_2, m. 242°, 35 246°; 105, 745 amide, m. 243°. 508
[4,3-HO(HOOC)C_6H_3]_2S_2, m. 236°, 767 245°. 417
[2,4,5-(HO)_2(MeO_2C)C_6H_2]_2S_2, m. 246°; di-2-Ac., m. 214°; di-
  2-Bz., m. 192°.407
[2,5-H_2N(HOOC)C_6H_3]_2S_2, m. 243°; diMe ester, m. 149°,850
   194°.88
[4,3-H_2N(HOOC)C_6H_3]_2S_2, m. 285°.850
S_2(C_6H_4COOH-p)_2, m. 320°; 35 amide, m. 278°. 503
[3,4-HO(HOOC)C_6H_3]_2S_2, m. 262°.596
S_2(C_6H_4CH_2CONHPh-o)_2, m. 217°.313
[4,2-EtO(PhNHOCCH_2)C_6H_3]_2S_2, m. 206°. 313
S_2(C_6H_4OCH_2COOH-p)_2, m. 147°.<sup>529</sup>
S_2(C_6H_4SCH_2COOH-p)_2, m. 166.5°.57
[2,4-Me(HOOCCH_2O)C_6H_3]_2S_2, m. 100^{\circ}.529
[3,6,4-Me(Me_2CH)(HOOCCH_2O)C_6H_2]_2S_2, m. 115^{\circ}.5^{\circ}
\alpha-[2,3-HO(MeO<sub>2</sub>C)C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>5</sub>]<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>, diBz., m. 262°, with decomposi-
  tion.407
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Trisulfides, R₂S₃ and Ar₂S₃

 α -[4,3-HO(HOOC)C₁₀H₅]₂S₂, m. 260°.6°

 $\begin{array}{l} \text{Me}_2\text{S}_3, \text{ m. } -68.05^\circ; ^{79} \text{ b. } 200^\circ, ^{128} \text{ } 170^\circ, ^{435a} \text{ } 165-70^\circ, ^{179} \text{ b}_4 \text{ } 42.5^\circ, ^{79} \\ 41^\circ, ^{500} \text{ b}_{18} \text{ } 54^\circ, ^{83} \text{ b}_{14} \text{ } 62^\circ, ^{778a} \text{ } 70^\circ; ^{113.7} \text{ d}_0 \text{ } 1.2162, \text{ d}_{10} \text{ } 1.2059, \\ \text{d}_{17} \text{ } 1.199, ^{435a} \text{ d}_{20} \text{ } 1.2013, \text{ d}_{25} \text{ } 1.1978; \text{ n } 20/\text{D } 1.6010, ^{79} \text{ } 1.601. ^{500} \\ \text{Et}_2\text{S}_3, \text{ m. } -72.61^\circ; ^{79} \text{ b}_{0.1} \text{ } 35-43^\circ, ^{87} \text{ b}_3 \text{ } 57^\circ, ^{79} \text{ b}_5 \text{ } 78^\circ, ^{81b} \text{ b}_{15} \text{ } 85^\circ, ^{380b} \\ \text{b}_{25} \text{ } 82^\circ, ^{113.7} \text{ b}_{26} \text{ } 85^\circ, ^{477a} \text{ } 92-7^\circ; ^{842} \text{ d}_{20} \text{ } 1.1082, ^{79} \text{ d } 20/4 \text{ } 1.1140; ^{44}, ^{477a} \text{ n } 13/\text{D } 1.5689, ^{842} \text{ n } 15/\text{D } 1.56899, ^{477a} \text{ n } 20/\text{D } 1.5654, ^{79} \end{array}$

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1.56804; 828 surface tension 24.22°; parachor 335.3; 44 dipole
   moment 1.64 \times 10^{-18.842}
Pr_2S_3, b_{0.9} 68-9°; n 25/D 1.5424.<sup>129</sup>
i-Pr<sub>2</sub>S<sub>3</sub>, b<sub>5</sub> 75-6°; n 25/D 1.5351.<sup>129</sup>
Bu<sub>2</sub>S<sub>3</sub>, m. -77^{\circ}; b<sub>0.9</sub> 90.5°, <sup>79</sup> b<sub>12</sub> 137–40°; <sup>113.7</sup> d<sub>20</sub> 1.0180; n 20/D
   1.5320.79
t-Bu_2S_3, m. 17.03°; b_4 86°, b_5 85–7.5°; b_5 85–7.5°; d_{20} 0.9922, d_{25} 0.9881;
   n 20/D 1.5225.79
(t-C_{12}H_{25})_2S_3, d 20/4 0.948.<sup>590</sup>
(C_{16}H_{33})_2S_3, m. 42.6^{\circ}, 34, 855 41.9^{\circ}; 72, 156 dipole moment 1.63.855
(C_3H_5)_2S_3, (allyl), b. 188°; d_{15} 1.012.490
(C_6H_{11})_2S_3, (cyclohexyl), n 18/D 1.5884.<sup>229</sup>
(Cl_3C)_2S_3, m. 57^{\circ}.691
(ClCH_2CH_2)_2S_3, m. 31.5^{\circ}, ^{286} 29^{\circ}, ^{650} 27^{\circ}; ^{182}, ^{429}, ^{513} b. 180-
   210°, ^{169} b<sub>0.3</sub> 110–2°, ^{429} b<sub>5</sub> 146.5°; ^{513} d 30/4 1.3940; ^{650} n 20/D
   1.6110,<sup>286</sup> n 30/D 1.6050.650
(ICH_2CH_2CH_2)_2S_3, m. 110°. 182
(CF_3CF_2CF_2)_2S_3, b. 153°; d 31/4 1.6984; n 31/D 1.3600.353
Ph<sub>2</sub>S<sub>3</sub>, m. 30°, 44 oil; 810 d 20/4 1.418.44
({\rm MeC_6H_4})_2{\rm S_3}, ortho oil; 810 para, m. 82°, 380c 77°.810
(PhCH_2)_2S_3, m. 49°.749
(PhCH:CHCH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>S<sub>3</sub>, m. 97.5°.493
(C_{10}H_7)_2S_3, \alpha m. 75°; \beta, m. 109°.810
(2.5-\text{Cl}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_3)_2\text{S}_3, m. 140^{\circ}. 116
(2,5-Br_2C_6H_3)_2S_3, m. 168°. <sup>116</sup>
(o-O_2NC_6H_4)_2S_3, m. 176°, 488 174°, 347, 494 185°. 85c
o-O_2NC_6H_4S_3C_6H_4OH-p, m. 101.5^{\circ}.^{347}
(p-O_2NC_6H_4)_2S_3, m. 175°.347
(p-H_2NC_6H_4)_2S_3, m. 122°; <sup>375</sup> 2 HCl, m. 214.5°.698
[2,4,6-AcNH(H_2N)_2C_6H_2]_2S_3, m. 221°.408
(4,3-H<sub>2</sub>NMeC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>S<sub>3</sub>, m. 90°; 2 HCl, m. 227°; diAc., m. 130°;
   diBz., m. 187°.368a
(2-HO-\alpha-C_{10}H_6)_2S_3, m. 118°.6°
(1,4-HOCl-\beta-C_{10}H_5)_2S_3, m. 146°.<sup>303</sup>
(HO_2CCH_2)_2S_3, m. 124°; 380b, 380c K 0.104.380b
(HO<sub>2</sub>CCHMe)<sub>2</sub>S<sub>3</sub>, m. 95°; <sup>491c</sup> K 0.080.<sup>491a</sup>
[(MeO_2C)_2CH]_2S_3, m. 167°.852
(o-HO_2CC_6H_4)_2S_3, m. 304°; diEt ester, m. 110°.212
(p-EtO_2CC_6H_4)_2S_3, m. 52^{\circ}.^{212}
[4,3-H_2N(HO_2C)C_6H_3]_2S_3, m. 207°; diAc., m. 95°.784
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 $(Ac_2CH)_2S_3$, m. $130^{\circ}.^{11}$ $\alpha-[3,4-Ac(HO)C_{10}H_5]_2S_3$, m. $192^{\circ}.^{6}$ $[(PhS)_3C]_2S_3$, m. $99^{\circ}.^{30}$ $[(m\cdot MeC_6H_4S)_3C]_2S_3$, m. $82.5^{\circ}.^{30}$ $[(p-MeC_6H_4S)_3C]_2S_3$, m. $119^{\circ}.^{30}$ $[(p-t-BuC_6H_4S)_3C]_2S_3$, m. $114^{\circ}.^{30}$ $[2,4,6-Me_3C_6H_2S)_3C]_2S_3$, m. $170.5^{\circ}.^{30}$ $[(p-ClC_6H_4S)_3C]_2S_3$, m. $76^{\circ}.^{30}$

Tetrasulfides, R₂S₄ and ArS₄

 Me_2S_4 , $b_{1.5}$ 68–70°; d 25/d 1.3008; n 20/D 1.6621.²⁸⁶ (F_3C) $_2S_4$, b. 135°; n 20/D 1.4608.^{350.5}

Et₂S₄, b. 210–2°,¹³⁷ b_{0.1} 43–5°,²²⁹ 58–60°, 65–7°,⁸⁷ b_{0.25} 62° with decomposition,⁷⁹ b₂₄ 106–8°,⁷¹ b₂₆ 109°; ^{477a} d 20/4 1.1616,⁷¹ 1.1253; ^{44, 477a} n 15/D 1.58436,^{477a} n 19/D 1.6105,²²⁹ n 20/D 1.6167, 1.6173,⁸⁷ 1.61809,⁷¹ 1.6155,⁷⁹ 1.62086; ³²⁸ surface tension 24.54; parachor 406.4.⁴⁴

 $(ClCH_2CH_2)_2S_4$, m. 26.5°.611

 Pr_2S_4 , b_{11} 127–7.5°; d 20/4 1.1249; n 20/D 1.5904,⁷¹ n 25/D 1.5993.⁷²⁶

i-Pr₂S₄, b_{0.5} 88°; n 25/D 1.5812.¹²⁹

Bu₂S₄ b_{0.1} 56°,87 b₁ 125–30°; d 20/4 1.0775; n 20/D 1.5705,71 1.5772,87 1.5722.79

 $t\text{-Bu}_2\text{S}_4$, m. 2.33°; $b_{0.2}$ 70°; d_{20} 1.0690, d_{25} 1.0640; n 20/D 1.5660.79

Am₂S₄, oil.810

i-Am₂S₄, b_{0.1} 56°; n 20/D 1.5542.87

i-Oct₂S₄, d 20/4 1.0609; n 20/D 1.5482.⁷¹

t-Dodecyl₂S₄, d 20/4 0.984.590

 $(C_{16}H_{33})_2S_4$, m. 37.2° , 34, 855 36.5° , 156 36° ; 72 dipole moment 2.16.855

 $(H_2C:CHCH_2)_2S_4$, n 25/D 1.6360.⁷²⁶

 $(C_6H_{11})_2S_4$, $b_{0.1}$ 100°; ⁸⁷ d 18/4 1.209; n 18/D 1.6130,²²⁹ n 20/D 1.6050.⁸⁷

 Ph_2S_4 , m. 112° ; 839 $b_{0.1}$ 110° .87

 $(p-MeC_6H_4)_2S_4$, m. 75°. 380c, 435a

(PhCH₂)₂S₄, m. 50°. 137, 749

 $(\alpha-C_{10}H_7)_2S_4$, m. $102^{\circ}.^{810}$

 $(\beta\text{-}\mathrm{C}_{10}\mathrm{H}_7)_2\mathrm{S}_4,\ \mathrm{m.\ 101}^\circ,^{810}\ 85^\circ.^{137}$

 $(p-ClC_6H_4)_2S_4$, m. 57°.87

 $(o-O_2NC_6H_4)_2S_4$, m. $116^{\circ},^{347}$ $160^{\circ}.^{85c}$

(HSCH₂CH₂)₂S₄, m. 128°. 137

 $(HO_2CCH_2)_2S_4$, m. 113°.380b, 380c

 $(o-HO_2CC_6H_4)_2S_4$, m. 298°.²¹²

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Et₂S₅, d₁₈ 1.233; ⁶⁷¹ 2 isomers, b₂₆ 119°; d 16/4 1.1687, ^{477a} d 20/4 1.1622; ⁴⁴ n 15/D 1.60269; ^{477a} surface tension 23.89; parachor 449; ⁴⁴ b₂₆ 130°, d 16/4 1.1620, ^{477a} d 20/4 1.1622; ⁴⁴ n 15/D 1.59517. ^{477a}

Pr₂S₅, d₁₈ 1.18.671

 $(H_2C:CHCH_2)_2S_5$, d_{18} 1.1249.801

(ClCH₂CH₂)₂S₅, d 20/4 1.5013; n 20/D 1.6853.²⁸⁶

 $(o-O_2NC_6H_4)_2S_5$, m. 133°.347

(CH₂:CHCH₂)₂S₆, m. 75.5°.426

Diselenides

 Me_2Se_2 , b. 155–7°, b_{21} 57°.28

Et₂Se₂, b. 186° , 642 b₄₄ 98° ; 678 d 20/4 1.2849, 44 d 25/4 1.6772; n 25/D 1.5806; 678 surface tension 24.63; parachor $316.4.^{44}$

 Pr_2Se_2 , b_{13} 99°, 151 b_{15} 103–4°; 28 d 22.2/4 1.4991; n 20/D 1.55535. 151

i-Pr₂Se₂, b. 210°. 573.5

Bu₂Se₂, b₆₋₈ 113-8°,⁷⁷⁶ b₁₃ 129-30°; ²⁸ d 20/4 1.390; n 20/D 1.5399.⁷⁷⁶

 $s\text{-Bu}_2\text{Se}_2$, b_{16} 130°; n 20/D 1.5357.425

 $t\text{-Bu}_2\mathrm{Se}_2$, b_{3-4} 63–7°; d 25/4 1.3529; n 25/D 1.5351.678

 Am_2Se_2 , b_3 134–7°; d 20/4 1.324; n 20/D 1.5343.776

 $i\text{-Am}_2\mathrm{Se}_2$, b_3 134–7°; n 20.5/D 1.5198.550

 $\mathrm{Hex_2Se_2},\ \mathrm{m.}\ -44^\circ;\ \mathrm{b_3}\ 150\mbox{--}2^\circ;\ \mathrm{d}\ 20/4\ 1.258;\ \mathrm{n}\ 20/\mathrm{D}\ 1.5246.^{776}$

 Hep_2Se_2 , m. -11°, b₃ 178-9°; d 20/4 1.211; n 20/D 1.5184.⁷⁷⁶

 $Oct_2Se_2,\ m.\ -8°,\ b_3\ 197-205°;\ d\ 20/4\ 1.175;\ n\ 20/D\ 1.5142.^{776}$

Non₂Se₂, m. 10°; b_{0.12} 178–84°; d 20/4 1.142; n 20/D 1.5092. 776

 $(C_{12}H_{25})_2Se_2$, m. 21°.¹⁹¹

 $(C_{18}H_{37})_2Se_2$, m. 55°. 191

Ph₂Se₂, m. 63.5°, ⁴²¹, ⁴⁴⁹, ⁴⁹⁸ 63°, ²⁵⁵, ³⁵⁹, ⁷⁷³ 62.5°, ⁵⁹ 62°, ⁴⁸⁹, ^{787a}, ^{787b}, ^{787d} 59°; ⁴⁴ b₁₁ 202–3°. ⁴⁴⁹

(PhCH₂)₂Se₂, m. 93°,601, 625 90°.277, 402, 779

 $(o-\text{MeC}_6\text{H}_4)_2\text{Se}_2$, m. 26°; b₁ 160–1°,⁴²³ b₁₃ 174–80°.⁴⁸⁹

 $(p-\text{MeC}_6\text{H}_4)_2\text{Se}_2$, m. 47°. 145, 787b

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(p-PhC_6H_4)_2Se_2, m. 184°.662a
(\alpha-C_{10}H_7)_2Se_2, m. 88°, 787a, 787b 88.5°, metastable form, m. 72°.661
(\beta-C_{10}H_7)_2Se_2, m. 139.2°,661 two forms, m. 127° and 114°.488
(ClCH_2)_2Se_2, b_{1.5} 97°. <sup>113</sup>
(p\text{-ClC}_6\text{H}_4)_2\text{Se}_2, m. 89°, 144, 254a, 663 86°; 787b b<sub>2</sub> 192°. 254a
(o-ClC_6H_4CH_2)_2Se_2, m. 105.5^{\circ}.^{755a}
(p-ClC_6H_4CH_2)_2Se_2, m. 82°.755a
(p-\mathrm{BrC_6H_4})_2\mathrm{Se_2}, m. 114.8°,663 115°,254a 108°,787b 113°.144
(p-BrC_6H_4CH_2)_2Se_2, m. 106^{\circ}.755a
o-O_2NC_6H_4Se-SePh, m. 56°.662b
(o-O_2NC_6H_4)_2Se_2, m. 212^{\circ}, ^{662b} 209^{\circ}, ^{47}, ^{95b} 210^{\circ}, ^{667} 206.5^{\circ}, ^{93}
  211°.662a
(m-O_2NC_6H_4)_2Se_2, m. 83°,636 81°.254b
(p-O_2NC_6H_4)_2Se_2, m. 179°.662a
[2,4-(O_2N)_2C_6H_3]_2Se_2, m. 265^{\circ}.^{277}
[3,4-O_2N(H_2N)C_6H_3]_2Se_2, m. 169^{\circ}.^{144}
(2,4-O_2NMeC_6H_3)_2Se_2, m. 178^{\circ},^{667} 70^{\circ}.^{144}
(2,5-O_2NMeC_6H_3)_2Se_2, m. 205^{\circ}.^{662b}
(3,4-O_2NMeC_6H_3)_2Se_2, m. 150°. 144
(o-O_2NC_6H_4CH_2)_2Se_2, m. 103.5°.625, 755b
(m-O_2NC_6H_4CH_2)_2Se_2, m. 106°.625
(5,2-O_2NClC_6H_3CH_2)_2Se_2, m. 171.5°.755a
(p-O_2NC_6H_4CH_2)_2Se_2, m. 107.5°.625
(p-HOC_6H_4)_2Se_2, m. 134°; diAc., m. 90.5°.421
(p-EtOC_6H_4)_2Se_2, m. 65°.<sup>787b</sup>
(H<sub>2</sub>NCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>2</sub>, 2HCl, m. 188°. 163
(o-H_2NC_6H_4)_2Se_2, m. 83°, 422 81°; 47 2HCl, m. 202° with decom-
  position; diAc., m. 167.5°; 422 diformate, m. 174°.154
(o-MeNHC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>2</sub>, m. 89°; diformate, m. 104°; diBz., m.
   170°.154
(m-H_2NC_6H_4)_2Se_2, 2HCl, m. 292° with decomposition; diAc.
   m. 186°.636
(p-H_2NC_6H_4)_2Se_2, m. 80^{\circ}, <sup>41</sup> 79.5° with decomposition; <sup>422</sup> diAc.,
  m. 205°,639 143°; 41 diBz., m. 267°; dicaproate, m. 177°; dival-
   erate, m. 123°.639
(2,4-H_2NMeC_6H_3)_2Se_2, m. 95°.422
(2,6-H_2NMeC_6H_3)_2Se_2, m. 134°.422
(\beta-C_{14}H_7O_2)_2Se_2, (anthraquinoyl), m. 260°.662b
Se_2(CH_2COOH)_2, m. 101^{\circ}, 58, 261b 100^{\circ}; 601 K_1 4.86 \times 10<sup>-4</sup>, K_2
  0.640 \times 10^{-4.261b}
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Se₂(CHMeCOOH)₂, 2 forms, m. 109.5°; d₁₅ 2.005, K₁ 3.77 × 10⁻⁴, K₂ 0.449 × 10⁻⁴; m. 88°; d₂₅ 1.982; p- m. 87.5; d₂₅ 2.024; K₁ 3.75 × 10⁻⁴, K₂ 0.446 × 10⁻⁴; L m. 87.5°; meso, m. 73°, d₂₅ 2.016; K₁ 3.89 × 10⁻⁴, K₂ 0.447 × 10⁻⁴. ^{261b}

Se₂(CHEtCOOH), pl, K₁ 4.30 \times 10⁻⁴, K₂ 0.481 \times 10⁻⁴; p & l, m. 52°.^{261b}

Se₂(CHiPrCOOH)₂, m. 122°.^{261a}

 $Se_2(CHPhCOOH)_2$, D-, m. $165^{\circ}.^{261b}$

Se₂(CH₂CH₂COOH)₂, m. 137°,^{261b} 135.5°;⁶⁰¹ K₁ 1.013 \times 10⁻⁴, K₂ 0.156 \times 10⁻⁴.^{261b}

 $Se_2(CH(COOH)CH_2)_2$, m. 176°.261b

Se₂(C₆H₄COOH-o)₂, m. 295°,⁶⁸⁴ 297°; ^{123, 474} —COCl, m. 174°; amide, m. 266°; diMe ester, m. 144°; diEt ester, m. 130°.⁴⁷⁴ Se₂(C₆H₄COOH-m)₂, m. 265°.³⁵

 $Se_2(C_6H_4COOH-p)_2$, m. 297°, 297° 296°. 35

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 $C_{16}H_{33}SSeC_{6}H_{4}NO_{2}-o$, m. 52°. $PhSSeC_6H_4NO_2-o$, m. 55°. PhCH₂SSeC₆H₄NO₂-o, m. 54.6°. $p\text{-MeC}_6H_4SSeC_6H_4NO_2-o$, m. 87°. α -C₁₀H₇SSeC₆H₄NO₂-o, m. 111.3°. β -C₁₀H₇SSeC₆H₄NO₂-o, m. 87.8°. $o-NO_2C_6H_4SSeC_6H_4NO_2-o$, m. 198.2°. t-BuSSeC₆H₄NO₂-p, m. 75.5°. MeCH₂CMe₂SSeC₆H₃NO₂Cl-2,4, m. 32.7°. $C_{12}H_{25}SSeC_6H_3NO_2Cl-2,4, 57.5^{\circ}.$ $(CH_2SSeC_6H_3NO_2Cl-2,4)_2$, m. 202°. $CH_2(CH_2SSeC_6H_3NO_2Cl-2,4)_2$, m. 148.6°. t-BuSSeC₆H₃NO₂Br-2,4, m. 57.3°. PhCH₂SSeC₆H₃NO₂Br-2,4, m. 71.2°. $p-\text{MeC}_6\text{H}_4\text{SSeC}_6\text{H}_3\text{NO}_2\text{Br-}2,4, m. 99.7^{\circ}.$ $C_{18}H_{37}SSeC_6H_3NO_2Me-2,4$, m. 67.3°. c-HexSSeC₆H₃NO₂Me-2,4, m. 77.5°. $MeSSeC_6H_3(NO_2)_2-2,4$, m. 106.5°. $EtSSeC_6H_3(NO_2)_2-2,4$, m. 105°.

 $Me_2CHSSeC_6H_3(NO_2)_2-2,4$, m. 77°.

t-BuSSeC₆H₄Ph-p, m. 69.5°. Ph₃CSSeC₆H₄Ph-p, m. 122.5°.

PhSeSPh, m. 58°.

PhSeSC₆H₄NO₂-o, m. 58.8°. PhSeSC₁₀H₇- α , m. 60.5°. α -C₁₀H₇SeSC₆H₃NO₂Cl-2,4, m. 143.5°.

Three Sulfur and Selenium Atoms

Et₂Se₃, b₂₆ 100°; d 13/4 1.7805; n 12.8/D 1.60919.^{477b} Et₂Se₂Se, b₁₃ 94°; d 13/4 1.4094,^{477b} d 20/4 1.3881; ⁴⁴ n 12.8/D 1.57914; ^{477b} surface tension 24.25; parachor 350.2.⁴⁴ Et₂Se₂S, b₂₆ 98°; d 13/4 1.7070,^{477b} d 20/4 1.6957; ⁴⁴ n 12.8/D 1.60244; ^{477b} surface tension 24.84; parachor 264.0.⁴⁴ Ph₂Se₂Se, m. 51°; d 20/4 1.593.⁴⁴ Ph₂Se₂S, m. 55°; d 20/4 1.873.⁴⁴ (o-O₂NC₆H₄) $_2$ Se₂S, m. 170.5°.^{662b} (2,4-O₂NClC₆H₃) $_2$ Se₂S, m. 198°.^{662b} (2,5-O₂NMeC₆H₃) $_2$ Se₂S, m. 154.6°.^{662b} [2,4-(O₂N) $_2$ Ce₄H₃] $_2$ Se₂S, decomposes 256°.^{662b} (2,3,5-HOBrMeC₆H₂) $_2$ Se₂S, m. 98°.⁶⁹ (β-C₁₄H₇O₂) $_2$ Se₂S, (anthraquinoyl), m. 242°.^{662b}

Higher mixed Selenide-Sulfides-Telurides

(EtS)₂Se:S, b. 102°.⁴⁴
(EtS)₂S:Se, b. 105°.⁴⁴
(EtSe)₂Se:S, b. 104°.⁴⁴
(EtSe)₂S:Se, b. 107°.⁴⁴
(MeOC₆H₄TeS)₂S, m. 61°.⁶⁷⁹
(EtOC₆H₄TeS)₂S, m. 114°; penta sulfide, m. 92°.⁶⁷⁹
(HO₂CCHMeS)₂Te, m. 114°.⁶⁹

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